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## Beirut ex-envoy appeals to U.S. to help Lebanon

By Bob Lebling  
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16—Dr. Charles Malik, former Lebanese ambassador and president of the U.N. General Assembly, Wednesday said most Lebanese Christians oppose partition of their country, and he appealed to the United States to help preserve Lebanon as a "free, open and pluralist society."

Speaking before the Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee on the Near East, Malik rejected partition of Lebanon as an "extreme" solution. At the same time, he opposed "a slavish, unimaginative return" to the old political system in Lebanon, which he said "in many respects has demonstrated its bankruptcy."

Malik told the Senate panel he favored a "middle road" which rejects the destruction of Lebanese unity as well as destruction of the country's "uniqueness."

Malik warned the various religious communities in Lebanon to avoid "radicalization."

He said: "The importance of a free, open, contented, unradicalized and peaceful Lebanon to the security and stability of the Middle East cannot be exaggerated."

The Lebanese statesman warned: "Upset the balanced character and the balancing role of Lebanon, and you will upset the whole Middle East."

The "fundamental political changes" needed in Lebanon cannot be introduced "while there are non-Lebanese armed forces on Lebanese soil," Malik said, adding that "this would violate the freedom and sovereignty of Lebanon."

He urged that the authority

## Nazer outlines 3rd development plan

JEDDAH, Aug. 16—Planning Minister Sheikh Hisham Nazer says that what the Kingdom needs now is "human beings who can build."

In an exclusive 75-minute interview published Thursday in "Ashraq Al-Aswat" and "Saudi Business", Nazer hints at a new strategy that will not repeat what he calls the "mistakes" of the two previous five-year plans in estimating Saudi Arabia's need for foreign workers.

Nevertheless, he pays tribute to the current plan in creating an infrastructure for the Kingdom. "Saudi Arabia," he said, "is in a better position than...some of the countries of Europe."

But he warned that using that infrastructure to move the country away from reliance on oil exports and toward industrial power will be a long process that will not be completed even by 1990.

Sheikh Hisham said that government expenditure would of course have to be increased, but he scotched rumors that the Kingdom is entering a phase of budget deficit.

Inflation, he said, is an ever-present danger, but government efforts had reduced it to "under 10 per cent."

Nazer was almost as concerned with the development of Saudi society than with the development of Saudi industry. We must tell our children, he said, that the only way life becomes worthwhile is through toil.

In his capacity as vice-chair (Continued on back page)



Sheikh Hisham Nazer

## Meets aides Carter seeks halt to dollar decline

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (Agencies) — President Jimmy Carter Wednesday expressed "deep concern" over the decline of the U.S. dollar abroad and called for recommendations for action from his top financial advisers.

Carter, in a statement issued at the White House, said he had been discussing the matter with Treasury Secretary Michael Blumenthal and with William Miller, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board.

"The sharp decline in the dollar and disorderly market conditions, at a time when the U.S. trade position is showing signs of real improvement, could threaten progress toward dealing with our inflation and achieving orderly growth at home and abroad," the statement said.

Carter said he had been meeting with Miller and Blumenthal "in the light of his deep concern over developments in foreign exchange markets in recent days."

"In the light of these circumstances, the president requested the secretary and the chairman to consider what actions might be appropriate on their part and to recommend any future actions on his part to deal with the situation," the statement said.

The statement was the first from the White House in weeks on the plight of the dollar, which in the past year has lost more than 30 per cent in value against the Japanese yen, 33 per cent against the Swiss franc and 15 per cent against the German mark.

The decline in the dollar has pushed up prices of imported goods from those countries, such as autos, steel and electronics equipment, which has worsened the nation's inflation rate at a time when the administration is trying to find ways to control rising prices.

It was not clear what kind of measures the administration would take to stop the fall in the dollar. One possibility would be to step up intervention in markets to buy dollars with foreign currencies to create demand and thus prop up the price.

The administration has been reluctant to intervene in this manner, however, except when the markets have clearly been disorderly, a term used to describe a situation when there is a sudden rush to sell dollars for no apparent reason.

However, the long slide in the dollar has neither been surprising nor disturbing to administration officials, who feel it is a way of correcting the huge U.S. trade deficit and the trade surpluses of countries such as Japan and Germany.

In a comment a few weeks ago, Treasury Undersecretary Anthony M. Solomon said the decline in the dollar against the Japanese yen was "a yen problem, not a dollar problem," indicating there was little the U.S. could do.

Carter has scheduled a news conference for Thursday afternoon and there is speculation he may have something more to say about the dollar at that time.

Presidential spokesman Rex Granum steadfastly refused to answer questions about the statement on the dollar, saying any further information would have to come from the treasury department.

Granum confirmed only that Carter met with Miller and Blumenthal at the White House on Tuesday. But he would not say how long the meeting lasted, whether any further meeting (Continued on back page)

## Hussein holds discussions with Riad on Arab solidarity

AMMAN, Aug. 16 (Agencies) — King Hussein and Arab League Secretary-General Mahmoud Riad Wednesday discussed ways to restore Arab solidarity.

Riad arrived from Damascus earlier Wednesday on the third leg of a tour, which will also take him to Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Iraq and Sudan.

The chief of the Royal Cabinet Sharif Abdul-Hamid Sharaf and the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hassan Ibrahim attended Wednesday's talks.

Riad was quoted by the Jordan News Agency as saying on arrival that his tour aimed at discussing the current Arab situation and the subjects to be raised at next month's meeting of the Arab League Council.

## Cyprus defers execution of convicted Palestinians

NICOSIA, Aug. 16 (Agencies) — The Cyprus Supreme Court Wednesday deferred until Sept. 30 the execution of two Palestinians convicted of murdering a leading Egyptian newspaper editor in Nicosia last February.

The two men, Samir Muhammad Khaddar, 28, and Sayid Hussein Ali, 26, had been due to hang on Aug. 22 after the court last month dismissed their appeal against conviction.

Their defense lawyer Lefcos Clerides has petitioned Cyprus President Spyros Kyprianou to commute the sentence, but Kyprianou is "at present in Greece and is not due home at least until Saturday."

The court granted Wednesday's stay of execution in order to give the president time to consider the petition. The attorney-general's office offered no objection to the delay.

In appealing for the new stay, the defense lawyer argued that, if Kyprianou rejected his mercy plea, additional time would be needed to prepare a new appeal to the high court on the ground that, since no one had been executed in Cyprus for the last 16 years, the death sentence had been abolished in fact, if not by law.

The two Palestinians, were convicted of the premeditated murder of Youssef Sibai, editor of the influential Cairo daily "Al-Ahram" and a close friend of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, in the lobby of the Hilton Hotel here on Feb. 18.

After the shooting, the two men took 12 hostages and commandeered a Cyprus Airways plane. A bid by Egyptian commandos to free the hostages at Cyprus's Larnaca airport led to a shoot-out with Cypriot security forces in which 15 Egyptians died.

Khaddar and Ali were sentenced to death on April 4 and their appeal against conviction was turned down on July 31.

## Iran implicates Palestinians in new wave of disturbances

TEHRAN, Aug. 16 (Agencies) — Iran Wednesday accused Palestinian extremists of backing and financing the recent disturbances in Iran.

Information Minister Darioush Homayoun told a press conference extremists in Iran were making contact with groups belonging to the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) and added: "A lot of money is exchanged."

Asked whether the PLO was among groups instigating the riots, Homayoun replied: "Yes, they are." He did not elaborate but he said the agitators had considerable arms, money and transport available.

It was the first official allegation of Palestinian encouragement for anti-government agitators who have launched three waves of bloody rioting this year in which at least 45 people have died.

There were small disturbances in the capital Wednesday. Troops — some with bayonets fixed — patrolled the entrance to the main Bazaar when shopkeepers downed shutters, apparently to protest against 15 deaths officially confirmed in riots which flared last Thursday in provincial towns.

Homayoun said most shopkeepers closed down for fear of reprisals, not as a protest. He confirmed there had been a minor incident in the Bazaar, but denied rumors that teargas had been used.

Troops were helping police tackle riots where necessary, he said. But the overall situation was not serious, and the government was not considering any new declarations of martial law at present.

Isfahan, Iran's second biggest city where riots erupted late last week, was clamped under martial law on Friday night. Local officials in the nearby town of Najafabad have also requested martial law.

Homayoun described continuing disturbances in other towns as small-scale operations. He said they included small demonstrations and burning of cars, cinemas and banks.

He blamed the disturbances on "leftist extremists" who use extremism and religious fanaticism to instigate people. "The instigators were an 'organized group which is part of a very large conspiracy against Iran and our national security.'"

Homayoun said the conspiracy was well-planned, and estimated the daily amount spent on anti-government propaganda inside and outside Iran at 10 million rials (\$143,000).

He said the long-term aim of the ringleaders was to overthrow the Shah's regime, bring about the collapse of Iran's social and political order "and some more strategic aims" which he declined to specify.

Beyond mentioning the Palestinians, the minister also refused to identify the external sources of support for the anti-government.

Some unofficial reports have said that more than 500 persons were arrested in Isfahan, Shiraz and elsewhere, including some 100 in Tehran.

Referring to the elections scheduled next June, Homayoun said that despite the disturbances the government will make them "100 per cent free" as the Shah has promised.

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## Eritrean leader says no Cubans, Russians encountered in battle

DAMASCUS, Aug. 16 (Agencies) — An Eritrean guerrilla leader said Wednesday Eritrean rebels had not yet encountered any Soviet or Cuban soldier while fighting Eritrean government troops.

But Ahmad Nasser, head of the Eritrean Liberation Front-Keivo Unionary Council (ELF-KUC), told a news conference there have been contacts between the rebels and Soviet and Cuban leaders.

"We explained to them our attitude or advocating direct and unconditional negotiations to find a peaceful solution to the Eritrean-Ethiopian conflict," he said.

Nasser said Soviet leaders were opposed to an escalation of fighting by the Eritreans and preferred negotiations to settle the matter.

The Eritrean guerrilla movement had not asked for any mediation in its conflict with the Ethiopian rulers, he added. But it was always in touch with what he called "national and progressive forces" in various countries.

Meanwhile in Rome, an Ethiopian embassy spokesman claimed Monday government forces are pushing towards Keren, the biggest town still held by Eritrean rebels, and supply convoys have reached a government garrison in long-besieged Asmara.

Government forces which recently recaptured three towns and relieved a siege on a fourth in northern Eritrea were advancing from Agordat towards Keren, a town of about 40,000 people, the spokesman said.

"We have seen people fleeing from Keren," he said. "The rebels are feeling tremendous pressures. The fall of Keren is a matter of days," he added.

But a spokesman here for the Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF) which controls Keren said the rebels would not give up the town.

The EPLF spokesman reported successes in two recent battles with government troops.

He said 700 government soldiers were killed in heavy fighting Tuesday in an area about 12 km outside Asmara, on the Keren road.

In a second battle west of Asmara, the rebels captured one

## Kuwait aide concludes oil talks with Yamani

KUWAIT, Aug. 16, (Agencies) — Kuwaiti Oil Minister Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah returned home Wednesday from a one-day visit to Saudi Arabia and immediately reported to Prime Minister Sheikh Saad Al-Abdullah Al-Sabah on his talks with Saudi leaders.

Sheikh Ali's trip to the Saudi summer resort of Taif, where he met Crown Prince Fahd and Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani, was connected with bilateral relations, particularly coordinating oil policy between the two Arab neighboring states, officials said.

He brought a message from Prince Fahd to Sheikh Saad in reply to one he had delivered Tuesday night, the sources said. They declined to give further details.

Sheikh Ali, the current OPEC president, also heads a committee set up by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to find ways of protecting the oil exporters' revenues against losses resulting from the continued slump in the value of the U.S. dollar.

Informed sources in Kuwait said last week he was contacting colleagues in the 13-member organization on whether to hold an extraordinary ministerial meeting to see what measures might be taken to end the losses.

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## IDB, IFAD draft agreement approved

JEDDAH, Aug. 16 (SPA)—A draft agreement between the Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank (IDB) and the Rome-based International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) was approved here Wednesday.

The draft will be submitted to the IDB Council of Execu-

tive Directors which will convene in September and to the Fund's executive board which will meet in Rome in October.

IDB President Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Ali conferred Wednesday with IFAD Chairman Abdul Mohsen Al-Sudairi, who arrived Tuesday evening on a short visit.

They reviewed the provisions of the accord and approved them.

The agreement calls for co-operation in the financing of agricultural projects in countries which are members of both organizations, and for technical cooperation between the two bodies.

Sudairi told newsmen he highly appreciated the role played by the Saudi government in setting up IFAD in June 1976 as one of the U.N.'s specialized agencies.

He highlighted the importance of Saudi Arabia's activity in both regional and international levels.

He said that Saudi Arabia's assistance in the IFAD project truly reflected its constructive policies.

The \$1 billion Fund, he said will finance seven major agricultural projects this year at an estimated cost of \$100 million.

It will also pay for other projects, at a later stage.

### Islamic U orders new appointments

RIYADH, Aug. 16 (SPA)—Dr. Abdullah Al-Turki, vice-chancellor of Imam Muhammad ibn Saud Islamic University, has ordered the appointment of all graduates referred by the Civil Service Department to work as research scholars in the university and teachers and administrative officials at affiliated institutes.

Meanwhile, the graduates have been asked to call at the university office as soon as possible for the completion of formalities.

### Riyadh water body views supplies

RIYADH, Aug. 16 (SPA)—The board of Riyadh Water and Sewage Department convened Tuesday evening under Governor Prince Salman for a review of present and future water supplies.

The director of the Department, Omran Al-Omran, said that the board was briefed by Abdullah Al-Falqa, deputy minister of agriculture and water, on the issue and approved the appointment of a number of engineers and management staff with academic degrees.

The board approved the draft budget of the department as well as the statement of account of the outgoing year, he added.

### Taif private real estate surveyed

TAIF, Aug. 16 (SPA)—According to the King's instructions, Taif municipality is conducting a comprehensive survey of private real estate before replanning the area into a summer resort implementing a number of state projects.

Mayor Omar Al-Saab said that among those projects are the construction of a rain water drainage canal, street surfacing, lighting and sidewalk construction.



PALMS: Date palms in Wadi Fatima, east of Jeddah.

### For London

## Sanaa leader leaves

JEDDAH, Aug. 16 (Agencies)—North Yemen's Prime Minister Abdul Aziz Abdul Ghani left here Wednesday for London after performing the minor pilgrimage.

The Yemeni premier was seen off by the Foreign Ministry's chief of protocol, Salem Sumbul, the North Yemeni ambassador to Saudi Arabia, and a Royal Protocol official.

Tuesday night, Sanaa Radio said Abdul Ghani will also visit the United States.

The prime minister, a graduate in economics from Colorado College, Colorado Springs, will receive an honorary doctorate of humanitarian sciences from the college for his efforts in political and economic fields in North Yemen.

Radio Sanaa quoted him as saying before his departure Tuesday that his government's policy towards "the rulers of Aden, who have killed the late President Ahmad Hussein Ghassmi, has not changed."

### E. Province charity ready for donations

DAMMAM, Aug. 16 (SPA)—The Philanthropic Society of the Eastern Province has announced it is ready to accept and distribute donations.

The society's secretary-general, Mastour ibn Ali, said that this measure had been taken at the directive of Prince Abdul Mohsin ibn Jalawi, governor of the Eastern Province. The society has its own ways of finding those in need of charity, he added.

## King orders Kar to Mecca road built

TAIF, Aug. 16 (SPA)—King Khaled Tuesday approved Crown Prince Fahd's suggestion of building a dual-carriage highway from Kar to Mecca for pilgrims.

He ordered Minister of Communication Sheikh Hussein Mansouri to submit plans for the project urgently.

The minister issued a statement Wednesday hailing the King's approval.

He said the highway would be part of an integrated land communications network covering all Saudi Arabia.

The King and Crown Prince, he added, had ordered the main road from Dammam to Jeddah and Medina to be a dual-carriageway.

Planning for that project was already under way at the ministry, while work had started in implementing the Taif, Jeddah, Mecca road and the Riyadh to Al-Hijaz projects.

Mansouri Wednesday also signed two contracts worth a total SR6,173,260 for the construction of road links between Araqa, Riyadh and Al-Raghib, leaving from the Al-Dolom road at Al-Kharj.

The first contract calls for

the construction of a connection starting from the end of Araqa road and ending at the Araqa Dam, over four kilometers.

The second provides for the construction of the Al-Raghib connection, branching out from the Al-Dolom road and Wadi Al-Dawaser and leading to the

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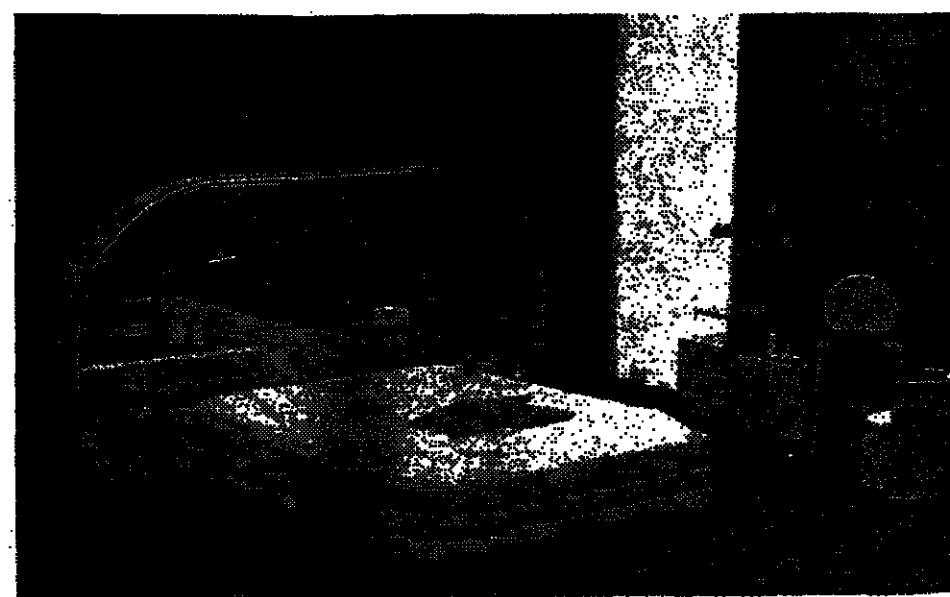
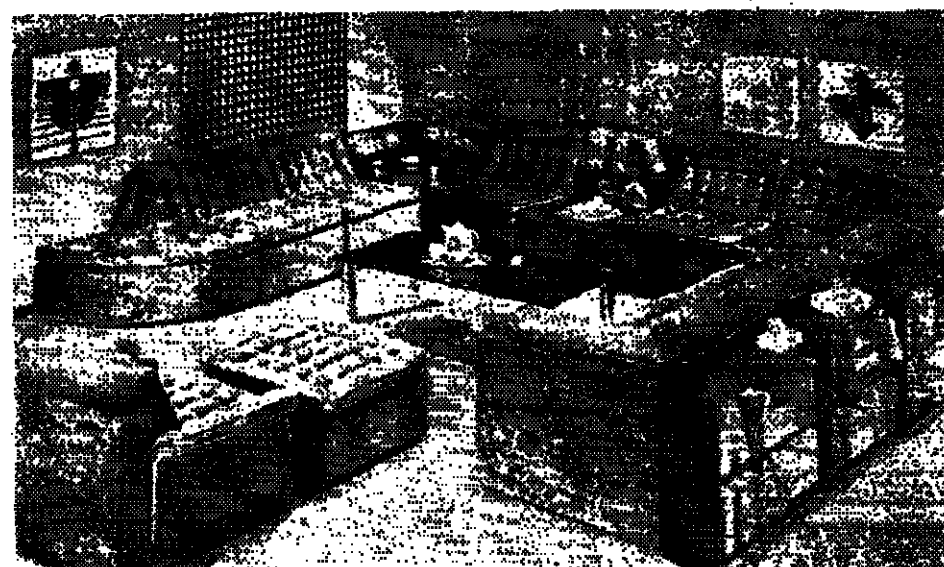
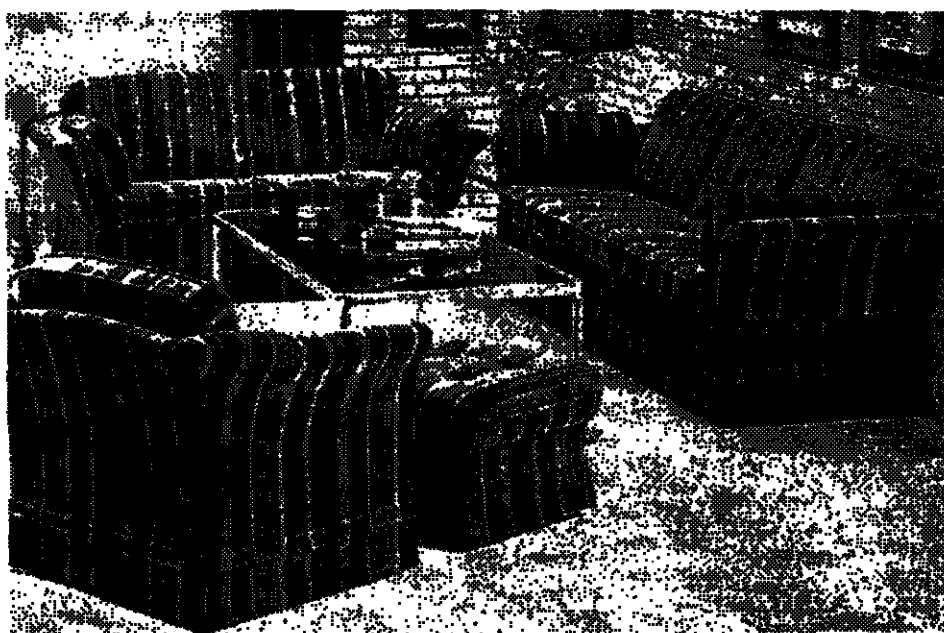
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## West German guerrilla said hiding in Israel

PARIS, Aug. 16 (Agencies)—A West German urban guerrilla sought both by his comrades and by police is hiding out in an Israeli kibbutz (communal farm), a French newspaper said Wednesday.

The daily "l'Aurore" said Hans-Joachim Klein once hunted is being protected by the Israeli secret services in exchange for information on

guerrilla training. Klein earlier this month spoke to the West German magazine "Der Spiegel" at what was described only as a secret hideout.

The "Aurore" story, by the newspaper's espionage specialist Philippe Bernert, said Klein sought protection from the revenge of former extreme leftist colleagues after helping to thwart attacks on leading

Jews in Berlin and Frankfurt. The Israelis gave him a new identity and brought him to a well-protected kibbutz in the Negev Desert, the paper said.

"l'Aurore" said Klein was half-Jewish and could take advantage of Israeli immigration laws. Klein became internationally known when he was wounded in the December, 1975,

## Greece cautiously accepts lifting arms ban on Turkey

ATHENS, Aug. 16 (R)—Greece has cautiously accepted the conditional lifting of an American arms embargo imposed on Turkey after its invasion of Cyprus in 1974.

A joint congressional committee in Washington Tuesday decided to lift the embargo, provided President Carter certified that Turkey was acting in good faith to work for a just settlement of the Cyprus problem.

A statement issued by the Greek government late Tuesday night said the congressional decision meant the United States would constantly watch progress toward a solution. The statement also praised the congressional provision that the U.S. would oppose any attempt to solve Greek-Turkish disputes by force or threat of force.

An authoritative source said the conditional lifting of the embargo may force Turkey to make some concessions to troubled Cyprus, bitterly divided between Greek-Cypriot and Turkish-Cypriot communities.

The source said Greek officials saw the U.S. provision to oppose force in settling disputes between Greece and Turkey as a warning to Ankara. Greek officials had always advocated that disputes with Turkey be resolved by peaceful

means, the source added.

Apart from differences over the future of Cyprus, Greece and Turkey are at loggerheads over territorial rights and airspace in the Aegean Sea.

Repeated meetings between experts of the two countries have so far failed to produce concrete results.

## Libya expels 450 Egyptians

CAIRO, Aug. 16 (UPI)—Libyan leader Col. Muammar Qaddafi has expelled 450 Egyptians working in Libya as part of a plan to embarrass Egypt and "divert attention" from the Camp David summit talks on Middle East peace, the newspaper "al Gomhouriya" said Wednesday.

It said 370 of those expelled arrived in Alexandria Tuesday by ship from Greece and the remaining 90 were still in that country awaiting transportation home.

It quoted some returnees as saying Qaddafi is "plotting to deport a number of Egyptians to Mediterranean ports in order to embarrass Egyptian authorities and divert attention from the Camp David summit."

The summit grouping President Carter, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and President Anwar Sadat is scheduled to open Sept. 5. Its aim is to break the deadlock in negotiations between Egypt and Israel and seek a framework for a Middle East peace agreement.

Libya, which has been feuding with Egypt since 1973, is strongly opposed to the peace effort. Egypt broke off relations with Libya and four other hardline Arab countries shortly after Sadat's visit to Jerusalem last November.

About 200,000 Egyptians are employed in Libya. Several thousand were expelled in the last two years.

## Israeli consumer index rises

TEL AVIV, Aug. 16 (AP)—The consumer price index rose 2.4 per cent in July, 1978, reaching 199.1 points, the Israel government bureau of statistics has announced. The increase for June was 2.0 per cent.

The index is based on a 1976 figure of 100, and is not seasonally adjusted.

A bureau spokesman said the July increase was the greatest rise in the price index for July in 25 years, with the exception of July 1976, when a 12 per cent value added tax was enacted.

The greatest increase was in car and housing costs, accord-

ing to the report. Autos were up 12.5 per cent, an increase of about \$1100, for a medium sized vehicle.

The housing cost index was up 3 per cent. In the first half of this year, apartment costs were up more than 30 per cent over the same period in 1977.

## Tunisian court incompetent to try 101 trade unionists

TUNIS, Aug. 16 (R)—A court trying 101 trade unionists alleged to have taken part in riots last January has declared itself incompetent to raise the charges against them.

The appeal court at Sousse, a coastal town east of Tunis, ruled Tuesday the charges fell under section 72 of the penal code relating to national security, and said the case should

be tried by the court of state security.

Thirty-nine of the trade unionists are charged with incitement to riot and to form armed bands with the aim of pillaging state property.

They are also charged with carrying arms and ammunition and with distributing weapons.

The charges carry a maximum sentence of death.

The 62 others are charged with possessing and carrying weapons and with disturbing public order.

## China agrees to build projects in North Yemen

SANAA, Aug. 16 (R)—China has agreed to implement a number of projects in North Yemen's five-year plan under an agreement signed here Tuesday, government sources said.

Among the projects to be built are the construction of a cotton textile factory — the second to be set up by the Chinese — and a cotton oil seed plant in the Red Sea port of Hodeidah.

The first cotton textile factory was built by China in Sanaa about 14 years ago and processes cotton grown in North Yemen.

Under the agreement signed by the Foreign Minister Abdullah Asnag and the Chinese ambassador in Sanaa, China will also build a hospital and a clinic and reclaim agricultural land in the Hajj area in the north.

The Chinese have also un-

dertaken to build a 90 kilometer (55 miles) road between Amran and Hajja some 158 kilometers (93 miles) north of Sanaa, the sources said.

This will be the third road constructed by the Chinese in North Yemen. They have already built the 250-kilometer (155 miles) road between Hodeidah and Sanaa and the 285-kilometer (180 miles) highway between Sanaa and Saada in the north.

Speaking at the signing ceremony Asnag expressed his country's appreciation of China's aid and praised relations between Sanaa and Peking.

Under the current five-year plan, launched in June last year, North Yemen will spend some 16 billion rials (about \$3.4 billion). The bulk of the costs will be financed by Saudi Arabia, Arab and foreign countries and companies.

## M.E. Briefs

●MOSCOW: A Soviet navy squadron will make an official visit to Aden on Sunday. Tass news agency said Wednesday.

●BAHRAIN: Foreign ministry sources Wednesday denied reports that Bahrain was likely to establish diplomatic relations with China soon.

The sources were commenting on a report in the Bahrain English-language "Gulf Daily News" that Bahrain was the most likely Middle East candidate to follow the Libyan Jamahiriyyah and Oman in establishing relations with China.

●SANAA: North Yemen has charged that South Yemeni naval units crossed into its territorial waters twice in two days. A foreign ministry spokesman said Tuesday night that the latest incident took place Tuesday and warned that any further trespassing on North Yemeni waters would "create a serious situation in the area."

●ABU DHABI: Sudan Wednesday obtained a \$7.3 million three-year loan from the Abu Dhabi-based Arab Monetary Fund for balance of payment support, officials at the fund said here.

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## Looting reported

## Power loss hits Memphis as city's woes intensify

MEMPHIS, Tennessee, Aug. 16 (Agencies) — Vandals threw the switches in a power substation, officials said, plunging Memphis and Shelby County into darkness early Wednesday and adding to the woes of Tennessee's largest city where policemen and firemen are on strike. There were reports of isolated instances of looting.

The power outage occurred shortly after midnight, knocking out electricity completely in the West Tennessee county on a muggy, 80-degree night. Power began coming back on in parts of the city within 90 minutes.

There was no immediate word of any arrests in connection with the vandalism at the substation east of Memphis.

Memphis International Airport was operating on standby power.

Meanwhile, the president of the Memphis AFL-CIO Labor Council said he will call for a city-wide strike next Monday

unless there is progress toward a settlement of strikes by police and fire unions.

"If the city isn't negotiating and moving toward trying to settle this...I will encourage all union people in this city not to go to work for an indefinite period of time and not to purchase anything in the city of Memphis," he added.

The strike has put a damper on Elvis Presley memorial observances and threatened to disrupt the reopening of schools Thursday.

With Wednesday's first anniversary of Presley's death, the rock 'n' roll idol's Uncle Vester said only about 4,000 people had visited his burial site at Graceland mansion on Monday, instead of the 20,000 who had been expected before the strike.

About 50 fans spent the night on the mansion grounds because they were still there when the curfew went into effect. At least seven persons were

arrested in the looting, which took place at liquor stores and small shops. National Guard troops, already on duty for the strikes, were dispatched to the county jail to beef up security.

Mayor Wyeth Chandler had been able to maintain calm the previous nights by imposing a dusk-to-dawn curfew. Some pickets have been arrested each night when they refused to disband by the 8 p.m. deadline.

On Tuesday, Chandler modified his no-negotiations stance and offered to place the strikers' wage demands on a November ballot, giving voters a chance to pay for the settlement with a sales tax base. The strikers rejected the idea and called for binding arbitration.

Police Director E. Winslow Chapman said at a pre-dawn news conference that the black-out was "probably due to sabotage." The FBI was assisting investigators of the sabotage at the Memphis Light and Gas Company.

The fire and police officers were the only two of the city's 13 municipal unions to reject recent pay offers, although other union leaders threatened that the strike could extend to all unionized city workers.

Almost all garbage in Memphis was left lying as rubbish collectors refused to cross picket lines set up by strikers at sanitation department garages.

Senior officers carrying out police functions have been enjoying something of a moratorium on crime since the emergency.

## 'Mr. Cupid' gets mixed reception

LONDON, Aug. 16 (AP) — A plan to appoint a government minister for marriage to help preserve family life in Britain where one marriage in three ends in divorce won a mixed reception Wednesday.

The "Daily Mirror" backed the plan by a Home Office working party, which says the proposed minister dubbed "Mr. Cupid," should coordinate the work of groups responsible for marriage guidance and research into why families break up.

"A minister responsible for coordinating and developing all the state help available can only be a blessing," said the mass-circulation tabloid, which backs the ruling Labor Party.

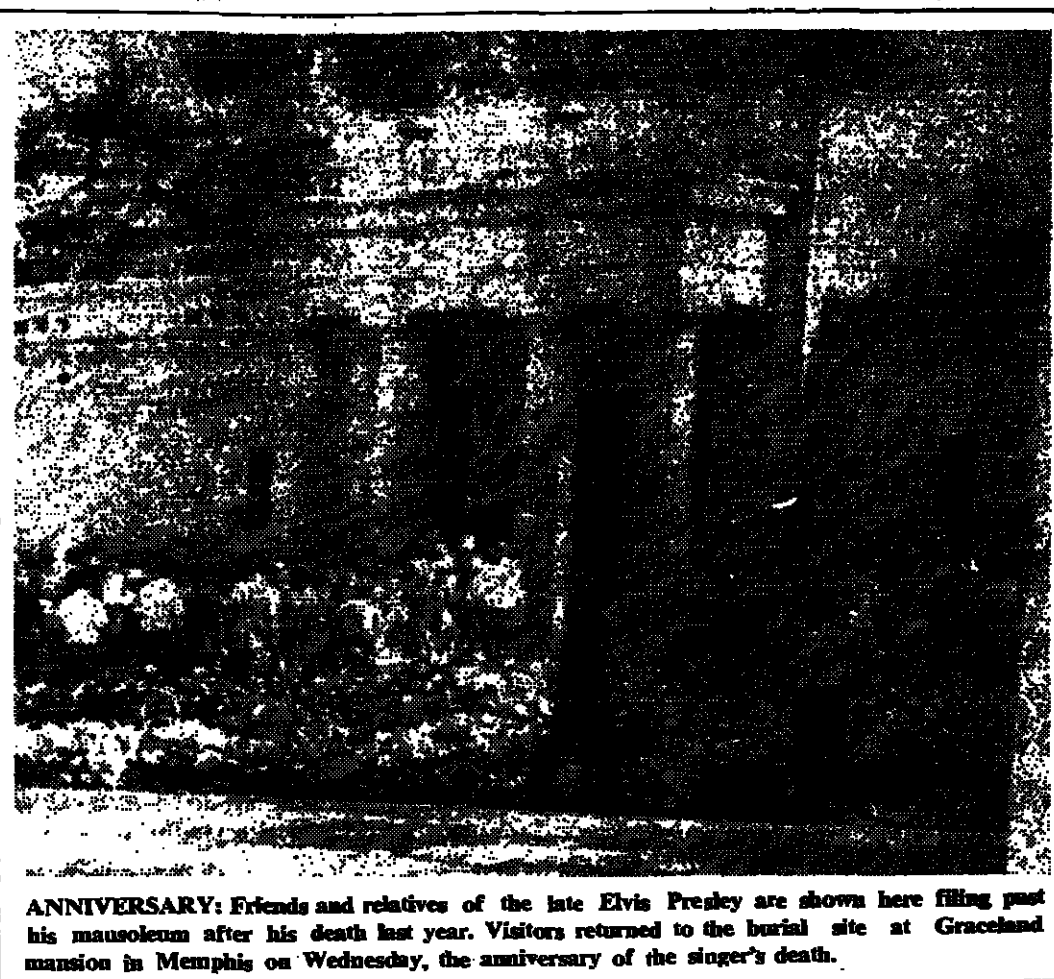
The Home Office pays out grants totalling 500,000 pounds (\$990,000) a year to five separate independent marriage counseling organizations.

Publication of the working party's consultative document, "Marriage Matters," is not expected until October. But advanced details of the report were revealed Tuesday.

A Home Office official said: "One of the suggestions for the marriage, and the report is being considered now."

The plan says "Mr. Cupid" should be a junior minister in the Home Office or the Department of Health and Social Security.

Among those who welcomed it was Dr. Jacobus Dominian, a psychiatrist who heads the marriage research center at London's Middlesex Hospital.



ANNIVERSARY: Friends and relatives of the late Elvis Presley are shown here filing past his mausoleum after his death last year. Visitors returned to the burial site at Graceland mansion in Memphis on Wednesday, the anniversary of the singer's death.

## U.S. said ready to release \$26 million in aid to Zaire

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (AP) — The Carter administration has decided to release \$26 million in aid to Zaire that had been withheld, the "Washington Post" reported Wednesday.

But the State Department said it knew nothing about any such decision.

The "Post" said the decision to resume aid to Zaire was made by the State Department recently. It said \$18 million in food aid and \$8 million in security support assistance would be released.

The decision was made after Zaire President Mobutu Sese Seko made "substantial progress and good faith efforts" to meet U.S. and Western European conditions in settling differences with Angola, the newspaper quoted unnamed State Department officials as saying.

While there have been no similar decisions to release aid for Angola, the "Post" quoted officials as saying that government had been informed of American approval of its recent actions. There was the possibility of aid in the future.

The Zaire Foreign Ministry announced Wednesday that Mobutu has invited Angolan President Agostinho Neto to pay an official visit to Kinshasa to seal their reconciliation.

An official communique said Mobutu addressed the invitation to his "brother" Neto to "make a friendly 48-hour visit to Kinshasa starting this Saturday Aug. 19."

The ministry said Neto has accepted the invitation.

Zaire and Angola agreed to establish diplomatic relations July 29 and have since exchanged charges d'affaires.

They had been feuding since the Angolan war, when Zaire backed pro-Western movements

fighting Neto's Marxist Popular movement for the Liberation of Angola to gain control of the former Portuguese colony. Zaire later accused the regime in Luanda of aiding rebels that attacked Shaba in 1977 and in May this year.

The reconciliation was the result of mediation by the People's Republic of the Congo and major differences were apparently ironed out during two week-ends of talks in the Congolese capital of Brazzaville.

## Nations urged to accept more fleeing refugees

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (AP) — The United States and other nations must agree to take in more families fleeing from communist regimes in Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos; a House of Representatives subcommittee has been told.

"It's a problem that won't go away," Albert Shanker, president of the American Federation of Teachers and a member of the Citizens Commission on Indochinese Refugees, said Tuesday. "We need a long-term commitment on an international basis."

Robert Oakley, a State Department official, termed it an "urgent humanitarian problem."

He said there were 24,000 boat refugees in Asian camps, most of them in Malaysia, and nearly 114,000 who escaped by land routes to Thailand.

Both testified before a subcommittee of the House International Relations Committee.

Shanker said refugee camps he saw on a recent visit to Thailand were "bursting at the seams."

Shanker urged the House to pass a Senate-enacted resolution allowing the United States to admit 100,000 Cambodians, and he suggested holding an international conference to try to persuade other nations to open their borders to the refugees.

Oakley said that the continued presence of so many refugees in Thailand "adds economic, social and political burdens which are not completely offset even by assistance from the U.N. High Commission for refugees and other sources."

He added that Malaysia offered asylum but could not continue it indefinitely "without adequate assurances that the refugees will be moved on for permanent resettlement."

WASHINGTON: Gen. Sam S. Walker, the U.S. Army's youngest four-star general who was reportedly caught in the middle of high-level Pentagon politics, is retiring, the Pentagon said Tuesday. A brief announcement gave no reason, and the general has refused to discuss the matter.

## Tass news office in San Francisco reported 'at peril'

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16 (AP) — The U.S. State Department has warned the Soviet Union that its Tass news agency office here is "at peril" and "suggested it would be a good idea" to close it, according to the "San Francisco Examiner."

State Department spokesman Hodding Carter was quoted on Tuesday as saying the warning was issued in response to Soviet treatment of American correspondents in Russia.

A State Department spokesman in Washington, who asked not to be identified, said he knew nothing about the story.

The newspaper reported the State Department said its warning was something less than an explicit order to close the two-man bureau, but the Soviets nonetheless appear to be disregarding what Carter called "a fairly unsubtle warning."

The Soviets maintain three Tass bureaus in this country—in New York, Washington and San Francisco.

The "Examiner" quoted Carter as saying, "we have suggested that one (in San Francisco) was at peril." The paper reported that Carter said the action was contemplated to protest both the closing of a United Press International (UPI) office in Leningrad and the conviction last month of Craig

Whitney of the "New York Times" and Harold Piper of the "Baltimore Sun" of slandering the Soviet state committee of radio and television.

They had quoted friends of a Soviet dissident as saying the dissident said the confession was accurate.

UPI voluntarily withdrew a correspondent from Leningrad but Carter was quoted as saying the news agency did so only after it was "fairly well harassed."

The newsmen were ordered to print retractions and pay legal fees. They have paid the court costs, but have refused to print the retractions despite the passing of the deadline.

The reporters were fined 5 rubles (\$73) each for missing one deadline, but the authorities have remained silent about the passage of the second last week.

"I don't think anything is going to happen," Piper said in a telephone interview. "They've made their point."

## Paris open on sale to Moscow

PARIS, Aug. 16 (AP) — French officials Wednesday left open the possibility of the sale of a computer to the Soviet news agency Tass despite a U.S. request for a Western embargo on such a sale.

The Foreign Ministry confirmed receipt of the U.S. request not to sell a computer of the type blocked by Washington as a reprisal for the jailing of dissidents Anatoli Shcharansky and Alexander Ginzburg.

An official said: "Generally, French practice is not to subordinate the sale of civilian industrial material to political considerations."

Asked if the Soviets had already asked France about the possible purchase of such a computer, he said the French companies "are in constant contact with the Soviet authorities for the supply of different material."

In Washington, officials said Tuesday they had received a formal response to the request made to France, West Germany, Great Britain, or Japan—the four countries asked for cooperation.

Tass had planned to buy the \$5 million computer from Univac-Sperry Rand for use during the 1980 Olympics.

The Soviets, in response to the White House veto, said they could find "more reliable trading partners."

## Ingmar Bergman in Stockholm for rehearsals

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 16 (AP) — Swedish film director Ingmar Bergman has resumed rehearsals at the Royal Dramatic Theater for a play interrupted two and a half years ago when police grabbed him on stage over a tax controversy.

"He seems to be in fine spirit," press spokesman Berit Gullberg said Tuesday. "It is nice seeing him. Everyone is so happy about it."

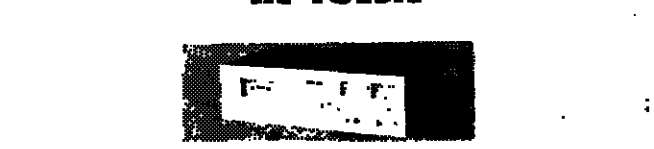
She said he would not speak to reporters. But on his arrival Monday Bergman told a Swedish newspaper "I am looking forward to taking up 'Death Dance' again."

Bergman flew in from his Swedish summer home on the Baltic island of Faro. The rehearsals for "The Dance of Death" came to an abrupt halt in January, 1976, when police took Bergman away for interrogation in a case of suspected tax evasion.

The director had a nervous breakdown and went into voluntary exile soon afterwards, saying harassment by tax authorities made it impossible for him to work in Sweden.

Tax authorities later freed Bergman of all tax evasion charges but he remained abroad, directing the film called "The Serpent's Egg."

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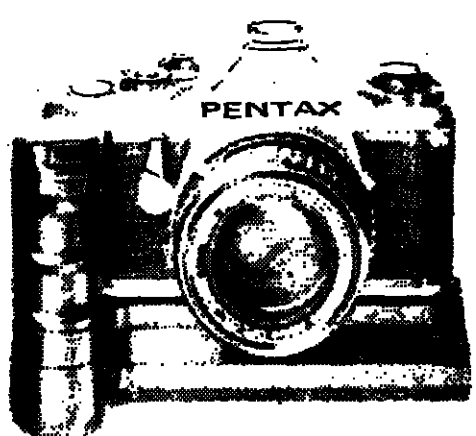
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## Oil output to double non-OPEC nations'

INGTON, Aug. 16 (AP) — Petroleum production in non-OPEC countries is expected to double in seven years and could more than double in 10 years, the World Bank said in a report.

The first annual world development report, the international institution predicted, the increase in oil production from 3.7 million barrels

to 8.3 million barrels a day by 1985 in the developing countries which have the resources.

"The increase in oil prices has provided a great incentive for new exploration and development of indigenous fuel resources in developing countries," the report said. It added that industrialization is certain to increase energy consumption within those nations themselves.

Large increases in petroleum

production in countries that do not belong to the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries are expected. This includes Brazil, Egypt, India and Mexico, the bank said, with "smaller but significant" increases in such countries as Angola, Congo, Malaysia, Pakistan and Zaire.

In addition, "the potential for an increase in natural gas production is widespread and important," especially in Indonesia, Mexico and South Asia, it added.

## Cost of transporting oil from M.E. said increasing

YORK, Aug. 16 (R) — The cost of transporting oil from the Middle East has risen sharply in the past month as U.S. oil companies seek space to get in a possible oil price later in the year, shipping sources reported.

The shipping rates now at \$3.86 per tonne of oil

compared to \$3.26 last month. This works out at about \$650,000 extra for a giant tanker cargo moving from Kuwait to the Caribbean, the sources told Reuters.

Shipping brokers said market talk was centered on the likelihood that the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) would respond to the weakness of the

dollar with an oil price increase either on Oct. 1 or Jan. 1 next year.

As a result, there was a recent trend among U.S. and Western oil companies to book several huge tankers carrying between 220,000 and 270,000 tonnes of oil from the Middle East for two consecutive voyages each beginning in September.

## U.S. sells 10 tons of gold

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (AP) — The U.S. Treasury sold about 10 tons of gold Tuesday at an average price of \$213.53 per ounce, the highest price ever paid at a United States gold auction.

As the government auctioned its gold, the dollar continued losing ground against other foreign currencies in worldwide trading.

The treasury began a series of six auctions in May to show it was serious in reducing the U.S. trade deficit and to move to eliminate the international monetary role of gold.

The trade deficit has been the biggest contributor to the dollar's problems around the world. While gold sales would be expected to reduce gold prices, the prices paid at the auctions have continued rising. Gold prices, when measured in dollars, usually rise when the dollar's value is falling.

At its first gold auction in December, 1974, gold was sold at \$165 per ounce. In previous sales this year the gold price was \$180.38 on May 24, \$187.96 on June 20 and \$185.16 a month ago. Auctions are also scheduled in September and October.

In the auction Tuesday, the treasury collected \$64.1 million. There were 12 successful bidders out of 50 eligible bids. Prices ranged from \$213.23 to \$216.17 per ounce.

Most of the gold was purchased by the Dresdner Bank of Frankfurt, West Germany, which bid for 224,000 ounces.

## U.S. wheat growers asked to cut acreage

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (AP) — American wheat growers were asked by the government Tuesday to idle one acre for every five they plant. It was the second consecutive year for the program aimed at boosting wheat prices and working off surpluses.

Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland said that the continued "20 per cent set-aside" should keep supplies from increasing through mid-1980 but not aggravate food-price inflation.

Wheat farmers will begin sowing two-thirds of their crop next month for harvest in the spring.

U.S. food prices were rising at an annual rate of 18 per cent in the first five months of this year. Prices for cereals and bakery products rose at an annual rate of 11 per cent.

Farmers must cooperate with the acreage-reduction plans if they want to borrow from the Agriculture Department at the support price of \$2.35 a bushel, using the crop as security.

If they don't comply, they also are ineligible for direct payments of the difference between a target price of \$3.40 a bushel and the average market price.

This year, farmers growing 75 to 80 per cent of the wheat have cooperated with the program, leading to a drop from 2.03 billion bushels last year to about 1.82 billion this season.

Howard W. Hjort, chief department economist, forecast that at least as many growers would cooperate again and grow 1.81 billion bushels.

In another development the House of Representatives Agriculture Committee by a vote of 25-16 approved a measure Tuesday establishing a special 110 million bushel U.S. wheat reserve to combat famine in developing countries.

The reserve could be tapped only if supplies were scarce of wheat sold under regular commercial terms or under easy-credit government financing.

The Carter administration sought legislation for a stockpile twice that size that could also be used to help keep world wheat prices within a range still to be set by international agreement.

## Benin to get \$4.6 million

KHARTOUM, Aug. 16 (AP) — The Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa signed a \$4.6 million loan agreement with the government of Benin for the financing of the Cotonou port expansion project.

The project is of paramount importance not only to Benin, but also to neighbouring

## World Bank reports Developing countries fail to raise living standards

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (AP) — Developing countries have failed to raise the living standards of their poorest citizens in the past 2½ decades and will face greater difficulty in trying to build their economies in the future, the World Bank said in a report issued on Tuesday.

The first annual world development report by the international lending institution proved to be a gloomy prospect for the developing nations, saying that unless they obtain more foreign capital and resist protectionist trends they will be unable to maintain even present rates of progress.

Even with relatively favorable assumptions about progress, the study said, "Absolute poverty will remain a problem of enormous dimensions" throughout the rest of the 20th century.

The report says that because developing nations are heavily dependent on economic aid and export markets provided by the wealthier industrialized countries, "the importance of links between them should be recognized."

Statistically, the World Bank report lists in the category of developing nations 34 "low income" countries where the annual income is less than \$250 per person per year and 58 "middle income" countries where the income is above that level.

It also lists 19 "industrial" nations, three, "capital surplus oil exporters," and 11 with "centrally planned economies."

Overall, the report says the developing countries have grown "impressively" over the past 25 years with per capita income increasing from about 2 per cent annually in the 1950s to 3.5 per cent in the 1960s. It said that compares "extremely favorably" with growth rates in developed countries, where personal income grew by less than 2 per cent in most cases.

However, it said growth rates have been generally less in the low income countries of Asia and Africa "where a majority of the world's poor live."

Calling export markets the key to economic progress for developing countries, the report warned that protectionism and import quotas on many goods raise conditions that are "noticeably adverse" for the economic future of those countries.

"The prospects for the growth from the recent average export earnings now appear much less favorable for the next decade than for the last two," the World Bank said.

The poorest nations, where three fourths of the people are dependent on agriculture, possibly could double their rate of agricultural and economic growth from the recent average of 3 per cent per year to 5 per cent, the report said. But it said this would demand "strenuous efforts" to reorient economic policy and obtain more foreign capital.

In a foreword to the report, World Bank President Robert S. McNamara, of the United States, describes "absolute poverty" as "a condition of life so characterized by malnutrition, illiteracy, disease, squalid surroundings, high infant mortality and low life expectancy as to be beneath any reasonable definition of human decency."

The report says some 800 million people now live under such circumstances and predicts that by year 2000, at least 600 million people will still be without minimum food, housing, sanitation, jobs, health care, education or safe drinking water.

World Bank officials conceded that in view of their own

projection that the world's population will increase from its present 4 billion to about 5.9 billion by the year 2000, those figures are optimistic rather than pessimistic.

However, they called the 600 million figure "marginal — the best you can get," and pointed out that the report says there is no prospect for reducing poverty below that level unless the industrialized nations step up aid to underdeveloped areas and keep their own markets open to imports from the poorer nations.

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French F (100)	80.00	80.00
Italian Lira (1000)	4.07	4.07
Lebanese Lira (100)	117.00	116.50
Syrian Lira (100)	83.50	86.75
Egyptian Pound	4.95	4.85
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.55	12.47
Jordanian Dinar	11.40	11.30
Emirates Dirham (100)	87.00	87.75
Qatari Riyal (100)	87.00	87.75
Bahraini Dinar	8.70	8.75
Iraqi Dinar	10.50	—
Iranian Riyal (100)	48.25	48.00
Yemeni Riyal (100)	75.50	74.25
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* Ministry of Education	Securing of medicines and chemical materials	17T	300	Oct. 14
* Directorate General of Municipal and Rural Affairs, Western Province	Illumination of King Abdul Aziz and King Faisal streets in Turabah	xx	1000	Sept. 9
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## MANDATORY REPOSE

The Lebanese crisis has been put on ice once more with the freezing of any serious work over the Beirut truce and the army units in the South. Solution or explosion will await the result of the Camp David summit conference starting Sept. 5.

Until then, the mandatory fighters' repose will be devoted to the work to extend the mandate of the Arab Deterrent Force six more months and the U.N. troops three months. The overall picture is still hazy but the contours should become more pronounced soon. President Sarkis has already received a report from his Prime Minister, Dr. Hoss, on his talks with President Assad and other Syrian leaders and another report from Ambassador Ghassan Tueni on his contacts with Washington officials and at the U.N. headquarters in New York.

Information available indicates that the Damascus visit by Dr. Hoss has yielded positive results with regards to the future Syrian role in the region and the implementation of existing security arrangements as first agreed by Presidents Assad and Sarkis in Latakia and later followed up in Beirut by Deputy Premier Abdul Halim Khaddam. The South Lebanon problem is less encouraging with the army still unable to take up positions in its original border station because of the opposition of the rightist militias and Israel. The Americans have failed to exert any pressure on Israel to change its position and are now counselling the Lebanese to be patient and not to upset the apple cart before the Camp David summit with the promise that the Lebanese situation will be raised then.

The Lebanese government is clearly disturbed by the American position and Foreign Minister Fuad Butros has criticized the Washington administration openly for failure to stand up to earlier promises of support. But the Lebanese officials' displeasure will not influence events because the Lebanese will have to wait for the Camp David summit as they have little other choice. Arab League Secretary General Mahmoud Riad has already said that if the general Middle East problem is solved then Lebanon's crisis will end but if the bigger problem is complicated then God help Lebanon.

The Lebanese, however, must not commit their fate to a summit in the U.S. They can prepare themselves for the solution that they hope foreign factors will influence. At the moment, there are two legalities in the country: the presidency and the Arab Deterrent Force. For Lebanon's own salvation the two "legalities" must work hand in hand and must be supported by all Lebanese factions. Attacks on the presidency harm the last vestige of constitutional authority in the country.

Parties who attack the deterrent force will do better to show their goodwill by declaring themselves opposed to the partitioning of the country and to any alliance with the Israelis against other Lebanese factions, Syria or any Arab country.

These parties have really no other choice anyway unless they want to bring down the temple over their heads.

## saudi press review

In an editorial, "Al-Medina" stressed the significance of "meaningful dialogue" among Arabs to settle disputes and differences.

"While there is no doubt that all the sincere Arab states are keen on restoring Arab rights and holding aloft the banner of the Arab nation, it is painful to see such differences that undermine any constructive action. Saudi Arabia has always sought to remain aloof from squabbles and regional blocs and has worked to end any misunderstanding through quiet dialogue."

The paper said that this policy "has earned great respect for the Kingdom by the world as a whole and has made it more capable of carrying out the noble task of settling Arab differences and bringing brethren together."

"The visiting Arab League Secretary General Mahmoud Riad stressed the 'extremely constructive role of Saudi Arabia' in Arab unity. He has only restated the facts which are well known to the Arabs, the Islamic world and to world public opinion."

The paper added that Saudi Arabia's efforts towards Arab solidarity and coordination "continue unabated in the interest of the Arab nation. It was not long ago when Crown Prince Fahd carried out his mission to Iraq, Syria, Egypt and Jordan; and now the King's personal emissary Prince Turki Al-Faisal is following up the crown prince's visit carrying royal messages to the leaders of those states."

"The Arab League chief was keen to start his current tour with a visit to the Kingdom,



"It's nobody's business if I wanna bust my own toys."

## Poets and power plants

By James Featon  
LUENBERG, West Germany

East of Luenberg in Lower Saxony, the border between the two Germanys makes a curious squiggle. Inside the squiggle lies Wendland, one of the remotest and most beautiful areas in the Federal Republic.

As soon as one mentions that an area is remote and beautiful, people's ears prick up. Some are interested only in remoteness. Others are keen on the remoteness and the beauty. Poets come into the second category. The nuclear industry comes into the first. Wendland is ideal for the production of poetry. Whether it is similarly suitable as a nuclear site is a matter of intense controversy. The region includes the old river bed of the Elbe. Its hills are formed from the old sand dunes interspersed with oxbow lakes.

The landscape is gentle, a mixture of woods and forest interspersed with cornfields, orchards, and villages. The villages have Slavic names, reflecting the Wendish origins of the inhabitants. The architecture in the area is stunning.

The northern border of Wendland is formed by the Elbe, which is also the border at this point between the two Germanys. It is the presence of the barbed wire on the opposite bank of the river which has helped to preserve the remote beauty of the site.

Much of the area is a nature park, so it would be difficult to spoil it for any trivial purpose. On the other hand, if it came to destroying it for an important purpose, the logic of our times allows such a possibility.

Just south of Gorleben there is an improvised adventure playground put up by the environmentalists. The council has taken legal action to have this eyesore removed. The playground is in the middle of the area designated for the nuclear reprocessing plant.

This is the way the logic runs a playground is impossible. A plant the size of de la Hague is possible.

When the Gorleben plan was announced there was an outcry in the area. The farming community is conservative in both senses of the word, and more than 60 farmers were going to lose land under the project. There was also—and it is important to distinguish between the two movements—an outcry among environmentalists through the Federal Republic.

In the recent elections in Lower Saxony, the environmentalists polled 3.9 per cent. In the district around Gorleben the figure was more than 16 per cent. The majority of this vote was taken from the Christian Democrats. The strength of local opposition to the scheme may be higher than this. But it is clear that the local movement is strictly limited to the question: Should this scheme be allowed here? On the other hand, throughout Germany the opposition is saying: Should this be allowed anywhere?

The two movements have worked together with considerable success, but could not prevent the farmers selling their land to the BKA, the consortium which intends to build the plant. The BKA used a carrot

and stick policy, offering favorable terms to farmers if they signed the contracts by a certain date, and threatening compulsory purchase if not.

The vast majority gave in. But two plots were offered to the environmentalists. One farmer gave the local opposition group three days to find almost \$200,000. A lawyer from Hamburg phoned all the writers, intellectuals and sympathizers he could find to raise a loan for a local farmer to buy the land. In three days they raised twice as much as they needed. In the meantime the first offer had fallen through.

A second plot was, however, bought for a similar sum. But it was decided that if this was mortgaged to the farmer, a court might rule that he would never be able to pay off the loan on the basis of the proceeds of forestry. So a further lot of phone calls was made, and those who had loaned the money agreed instead to give it.

Apart from this site, there is the area owned by the local aristocrat, Count von Darnstorf. Happily, this is about half the total area. Happily also the Countess von Darnstorf is a supporter of the environmentalists, while the count has a long record of protecting the character of his property. He is not a member of the local opposition movement, but is refusing to sell the key portion of the site.

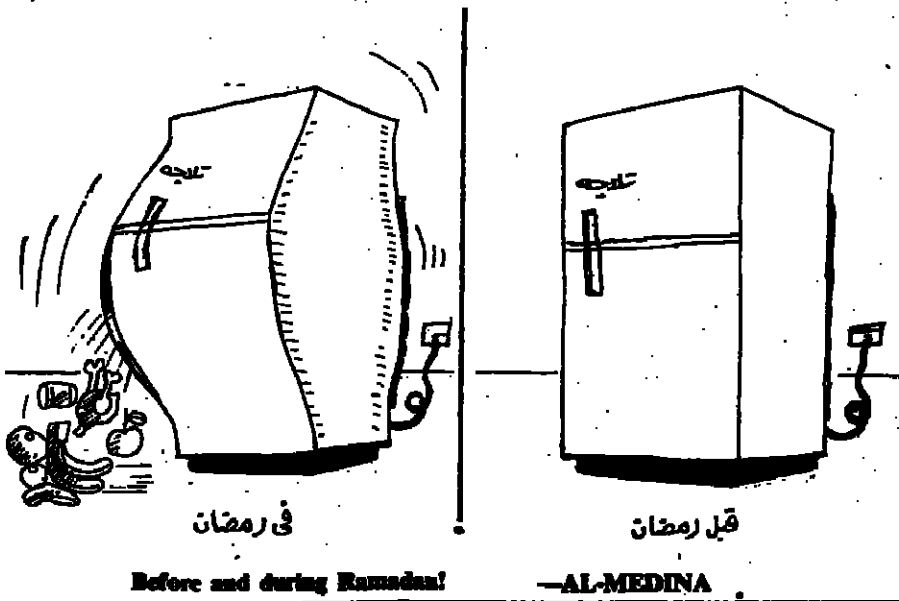
The question will be tested in the court. Under normal conditions forestry has priority over industry in planning. But does forestry have priority over the nuclear industry?—(G)

occupied territories—the meeting arouses our interest and optimism in view of the major role the U.S. has to play considering its commitments and interests in the region. Nevertheless, we feel that the

to consult the leaders of this country on how to make his tour successful, after Sudan extended the invitation to host the next Arab League meeting in Khartoum instead of Cairo. "The Arabs as a whole are deeply concerned with the present situation and they hope their leaders will respond favorably to the sincere call for Arab solidarity," the paper concluded.

"Al-Bilad" referred to the U.S. Secretary of State's reaffirmation of his country's declaration of certain principles and that Egypt and Israel agree to most of the points contained in these declarations.

"Since the Camp David conference will mainly concentrate on three topics—the future of Palestinians, the secure borders and withdrawal from



## The oil of Iraq

By J.P. Smith  
Third of a Series

BAGHDAD—For years, everyone has known that Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Iran were sitting atop vast pools of oil.

Now, international petroleum experts say Iraq has more than 100 billion barrels of proven and probable oil reserves—at least three times the amount publicly attributed to it by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency.

Some of the smartest Middle East oil analysts are suggesting that Iraq's reserves may run as high as 130 billion barrels—a staggering total that approaches the 150-billion-barrel reserves of Saudi Arabia.

Iraq's huge untapped oil reserves hold enormous implications for the oil-dependent West. Driven by its ambitious development plans, Iraq inevitably will move to increase oil production in the years ahead.

Why has it taken the world so long to realize that Iraq's oil reserves are considerably larger than those of Kuwait or Iran and may even rival those of Saudi Arabia?

The answer lies partly in the secretiveness of the Iraqi government, which refuses to discuss the size of its oil reserves, publicly or privately.

Vice Chairman Saddam Hussein came the closest to breaking the rule against talking about Iraq's reserves when he

said: "One of the last two barrels produced in the world must come from Iraq." Baghdad also blames the Western oil companies—which operated Iraq's petroleum fields until they were nationalized in 1972—for the failure to discover the size of Iraq's reserves much earlier.

"The companies did nothing to evaluate Iraq's potential," declares Dr. Fadhil Chalabi, a former Iraqi official who played a key role in the nationalization.

Chalabi, who is now with the secretariat of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries in Vienna, suggests that the major oil companies saw little advantage in searching for additional oil in Iraq when it only would cut into their lucrative profits elsewhere.

"There always was too much oil available," he concedes, "wouldn't explore" an American diplomat. "That was the source of the problem with Iraq."

Another factor that has added to the tendency to discount the importance of Iraq is the fact that Baghdad has opted for a relatively low level of petroleum production.

While Iran, with much smaller reserves, is pumping more than 5.5 million barrels of oil a day, Iraq is currently pumping only about 2.4 million.

The explanation lies in a conscious decision by Baghdad

to convert only enough of its petrodollars to finance a stage of Iraq's cautious development program.

"We are against the idea of accumulating a surplus (of petrodollars) because any surplus is subject to collapse," Oil Minister Tayeh Al K.

Increasing Iraqi oil production also would add to the rent world petroleum market, and thus to further depress oil prices. Iraq in recent years has taken a hard line on pricing issue, aligning its OPEC meetings with Al and Libya—the organization price hawks.

Karim, for example, called for a 23 per cent price increase at the OPEC meeting in Cas last December, even though world market conditions a price freeze virtually irrevocable.

For all their raise-the-voice rhetoric, the Iraqis play a very independent—some say very pragmatic—game.

Iraq, for instance, was only Arab country that did go along with the 1973 oil embargo against the industrialized West.

Baghdad claims it decided to honor the embargo to honor the Arab cause, a move against the United States and Holland—Israel's chest supporters.—(WP)

## Israel's shaky economy

By Yuval Elizer  
TEL AVIV

In the 13 months of Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin's rule, his government has been shaken by ministers voicing their disapproval of policy, mainly in foreign affairs. But the first minister actually to hand in his resignation was the minister of commerce and industry, who did so in protest over the government's inflationary spending.

The minister, Yigal Hurwitz, an outspoken former farmer and industrialist—who like his cousin, Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, was once active in the Labor Party—has since withdrawn his resignation. A cleverly worded compromise made it possible to settle the crisis, or at least postpone it. Nevertheless, no one has disputed Hurwitz's charge that the government has failed to harness runaway inflation.

In fact, some critics believe that if the Begin government is forced out of office, it will be over its performance on the economic front. Nobody expects this to happen overnight. Yet, as many experts see it, the recent Hurwitz affair may be an early warning for the government to put the economy in order.

Israel's leading public opinion pollster, Herbert Smith, known for his analysis of Israeli election campaigns, says that despite a deep concern with foreign affairs and security problems, Israelis are very much influenced by economic issues and are likely to blame the government for what they consider the economic mess.

Israel was plagued by high inflation long before Begin's government took office in June 1977. Prices had been rising between 30 and 40 per cent annually but seemed to be slowing down during the first months of 1977. Despite a campaign promise to end inflation and despite ridicule of the wasteful Labor government that preceded it, the Begin team has done no better. Inflation was 38 per cent last year and is expected to be even higher in 1978.

Some economists believe that the cause of the Begin government's economic troubles is its drastic foreign currency shift last October. Together with the virtual lifting of all currency controls and ending of all direct subsidy of exports, the Israeli pound was devalued by more than 50 per cent and value-added taxes were increased.

While the foreign currency aspects were successful and foreign exchange reserves increased, the inflationary spiral has yet to be controlled.

The powerful Histadrut—Israel's federation of labor—which the opposition Labor Party still controls—used the rapid increase in prices to demand wage increases that further fed the inflation.

Since the public sector employs almost a third of the labor force, the Histadrut wage demands were directed mainly at the minister of finance, Simcha Ehrlich. At first Ehrlich resisted all demands. Finally, threatened by several strikes in the public services, he gave in. Even so, most unions in the public sector are still unsatisfied and are demanding higher increases than those recommended by the Histadrut policy with the result that most contract renewals have not yet been signed. Nevertheless, it is already clear that the government has gone far beyond the pay increase it had intended.

Ehrlich has also given in to a Histadrut demand not to raise the price of government services and subsidized food items at least until October. As a result subsidies on such items as bread, milk, eggs, and public transportation are at unprecedented levels. Still, prices continue to rise and the government is now faced with the dilemma of what to do in October, when the current agreement comes to an end.

Observers note that in the

past, when there were clashes between Histadrut and government dominated by the Labor Party, the government seemed less reluctant to oppose Histadrut demands. Ehrlich determined to avoid confrontation with the unions, apparently because of his government's sensitivity to the change being anti-Labor. Since Likud politicians realize the party draws its main support from blue-collar workers and from Jews who have moved from Arab countries, Begin government is avoiding any decision that will cut government services or impose new economic burdens on general public.

This has compelled the government to introduce a supplementary budget of \$1.4 billion substantially increasing deficit, although only months ago parliament adopted a record regular budget of \$10.5 billion. Hurwitz was of the nine ministers who posed the \$1.4 billion supplementary measure. He demanded a cut of \$400 million, if this meant that no steps would have to be taken.

The compromise, to Begin gave his blessing which enabled Hurwitz to draw his resignation, calls a budget cut, but step will be taken not the government but by finance committee of parliament. Observers feel that the time this cut is made, all it will have to long overtaken by rapidly rising prices and government expenditures.

The present situation causes Israel's balance of payments gap to widen again.

If the feared reversal to place, the Begin government will be held responsible for increasing Israel's dependence on foreign assistance and further limit its free hand taking political decisions.

## A new missile for NATO

By Walter Pincus

WASHINGTON—Development of a long-range European-threat mobile ballistic missile system for use by the United States and its NATO allies has been authorized by House and Senate conferees in the fiscal year 1979 defense authorization bill.

Currently, the Pershing, with a stated range of 640 kilometers, has the longest range of any missile in the NATO arsenal. Deployed with U.S. and West German forces, the Pershing could not reach Soviet soil.

The missile system envisioned by the conferees would have a much greater range and would be able to hit targets in the Soviet Union.

In the late 1950s and the 1960s, Pentagon efforts to develop similar missile systems were halted because, as one former defense department official put it, "our diplomats did not want something on the (European) continent that could strike the Soviet homeland."

Now, however, congressional sources say the proposed system is being pushed to counter the new Soviet intermediate-range SS-20 mobile missile. Deployed in western

Russia, the SS-20 is aimed at NATO targets more than 1,000 miles away.

The manner in which House-Senate conferees proposed that the new missile program be financed may reflect inter-service rivalries that existed over control of missile systems.

The conferees took \$1.1 million from the army's research and development account money requested to develop a Pershing 2 and gave it \$9.9 million more to the air force.

That \$20 million, the conferees said, was to be used for continued development of the Pershing 2 "and to initiate \$2 million design effort for long-range mobile ballistic missile."

Neither the White House nor the Defense Department would comment on the conferees' action.

One administration source said an interagency study of such nuclear weapons is under way and will lead to a preliminary decision this fall on what weapons should be developed.—(WP)



# A qasida to the rugged landscape of the Hejaz Mountains

By Dagmar Mann

**IN THE HEJAZ MOUNTAINS**, near Al-Hajr — We have criss-crossed these hills for hours now, looking in vain for someone who could tell us where we are. The seldom-used track leads only to some deserted Bedouin camps with colorful rugs in the wait-a-bit bushes.

An Arab poet of bygone times would undoubtedly have come up with a "qasida" now, the formal classical ode. A qasida consists of three parts: the first, *nasib*, must depict a desert traveller who suddenly comes across a deserted encampment and finds there evidence of his beloved one and her tribe. The *tenon* of the *nasib* is, in short: "Stay! Let us weep and recollect memory..."

The second part, also de rigueur, deals with the descriptions of the poet's camel or horse, fair animals who somehow always possess the most incredible beauty, endurance, swiftness and so on, and there are often comparisons with antelope or other noble beasts.

Only in the third part does the poet break into the subject proper of his poem, be it self-praise, a eulogy of the poet's tribe, satire against rival tribes, a panegyric of a patron or a description of a thunderstorm in the desert.

Ours was a qasida to the Hejaz Mountains. When we left Jeddah, we had no particular destination in mind. We wanted to get an impression of this region of mountains hugging the northern coastal plain of the Red Sea.

In Rabigh, some 150 kilometers north of Jeddah, we turned off the tarmac and followed a weather beaten sign reading "al-Hajr." Though this name didn't figure on the map it sounded somehow promising.

evoking the picture of a mountain village. We wanted to go to the mountains but, as even a highly estimated Land Cruiser has its limits in climbing, we were bound to look for a convenient track. As usually in

the Tihama, as well as in the desert, the track soon split into numerous trails, and we chose one that seemed to lead to a distant cut in the mountains.

Before reaching this point, however, it was high time to look for a camping place, and to collect some firewood before sunset. We found a splendid spot on the foot of a harra where shrubs and acacia grew in soft sand. While looking for wood I mistrustingly eyed holes of different sizes, apparently inhabited, for my love for creatures ends abruptly with those who bite painfully and with possibly lethal consequences. But we weren't molested by either snakes or scorpions.

Next morning, there was a beautiful sunrise, a strong breeze, and sand: sand in the tea, on the bread, in the mouth, nose, eyes, etc., which helped for an easy adieu to this splendid spot.

We rounded hill after hill, passing some palm groves and herds of the inevitable sheep and goats of this region until we came to a deep-cut wadi. The steep border and the amount of huge boulders showed the violence of a soil (tectonic) flood after rainfall in the desert. A small puddle of water remained, but it was brackish and salty.

While we examined the wadi bed, a slender figure hurried towards us, both Kaffiyah and those fluttering. After greetings, there were the usual curious, friendly questions about destination and residence, and how these verily understandable foreigners could leave beautiful Jeddah and come to this remote place instead. My usual answer is that in the country where I come from, I live in the countryside, too, and that this here (wherever it be for the moment) is a definitely nice spot. (We never fail to part in mutual respect).

Up-wadi two harra flanked our course across rubble and boulders—and then we came out of the wadi, at last with a desperate jump of the good car, and rolled into a gentle, sandy valley. Instead of black harra walls, this one had light granite hills of sometimes bizarre shapes, palm trees, a kind of grass, butterflies, and in between the

golden sand were thousands of miniature flowers.

But now we are passing through barren soil. Even the wells are dry. Once more I considered how, in past times, people had traveled here. If we read nowadays how Prophet Muhammad left Mecca for Medina, we can't imagine the hardship of such a journey until we have experienced ourselves this type of landscape. None of the Hejaz wadis between Wadi Fatima and Badr Humain, a distance of about 400 kilometers, gets any shadow due to the lowness of the hills and their gentle slopes. Men and animals of the passing caravans travelled under a blazing sun from morning to afternoon.

The old Incense Road from Hadhramaut to Petra ran along the Tihama, and this was the normal way for caravans, too. But when the Holy Prophet had to leave Mecca in 622 on the famous Hijra — the emigration to Medina — he was in danger of life. Prophet Muhammad and Abu Bakr, who later became the first caliph after the Holy Prophet's death in 632, were led by a guide through the mountains.

Ibn Ishaq, in his biography entitled "The Life of the Prophet," describes their route, but

apart from Asfan all names have changed beyond recognition.

We finally crossed the western range of hills in the early afternoon and arrived on a plain surrounded by mountains, which, for the first time, deserved this name.

After an amiable chat with a Bedu we headed for Wadi Sitara in the south (which he seemed to know) for from there we knew the way back to Jeddah. Obediently we made for the mountain described and asked two more times for the correct trail. But apart from our first source of information, nobody had ever heard of the wadi.

Anyway, there was no choice: the trail ran roughly westwards and since it was the only one (though apparently no longer in use, we had to follow it).

Gradually the landscape changed. We came again into a hilly region, and, continuing towards the west, we arrived in a wadi where we found people living in funny looking huts which looked as if made of old tins. They are not flat but have acute angled gables, and their shiny outside reflects the sun, rendering the inside relatively cool. We stopped to ask for the way to Sitara, and a

friendly old man explained that the present wadi ran to Rabigh, northwest, while for Sitara we'd have to turn South, climb up that harra, follow the track, and descend to Sitara which was "just beyond that hill". My husband grumbled whether this was a description for goats or for cars, and tried to translate his doubts as politely as possible into Arabic. The old man just smiled and assured us that even pickups could use the track.

Traveller in the Hejaz, mistrust phrases like "just beyond that hill". We never reached Sitara.

At sunset we happened to find a well, and though it still held some water, there were no fresh signs of sheep or goats. The trails still ran westwards, winding through hills without any vegetation.

From time to time we stopped the car and climbed a hill for reconnaissance. Mounting one of them I discovered that its plain shape was due to miniature splinters of volcanic stone, loosely piled up and thus unable to shape bizarre forms as we had seen with the granite hills before. Looking around, the neighboring knolls also seemed

med drowned in their own debris. Together they formed the remains of a wide volcanic crater.

I was, however, preoccupied with considerations of how to find a way out of this undoubtedly interesting landscape, and finally I noticed a smooth silhouette at the horizon: It was a sand dune, and behind it, just nothing; that is, no more chains of hills but the long expected coastal plain.

Arriving at the dune we saw the reason why the track was deserted: deep sand and more dunes hindered access to the wadi, and for pickups it was impossible to cross. I heard my husband breathe sharply, and then we slid, full throttle, through the sand, and with a bound we finally landed on solid ground. Only then did I heartily agree that it was indeed a most beautiful region we had crossed.

At the sight of the first human being I jumped off the car and inquired where we were. The answer was given almost indignantly: Where? In the Wadi Kullaya, to be sure! So much for Wadi Sitara.

## Buttlegging

**RALEIGH, North Carolina** — Nearly 1.2 billion packs of cigarettes were sold by retailers in North Carolina last year, but only about 740 million of them were inhaled in this tobacco state.

The rest, 38 per cent, were taken to other states — by tourists who filled car trunks with cartons by the dozen while passing through the state with the lowest cigarette tax, or by smugglers who hauled cases by the hundreds in huge trucks and made staggering profits. "Buttlegging" is called, and it's big business.

Law enforcement efforts to stop the trade are hampered by the legality of most sales here and to the difficulty of tracing the cigarettes once they get to high-tax states where resale is illegal. —(AP)

## Vaccine hoped for through breakthroughs in malaria research

By Thomas Lead

**GENEVA** — The World Health Organization (WHO) is asking the medical profession as well as tourist agencies, airline carriers and the other branches of the leisure industry to alert travellers of the growing risk of malaria.

The increase in international travel has coincided with a dramatic upsurge in this tropical disease, with many unsuspecting travellers from

Europe, North America, Japan and Australia recently falling victims to it. Where a risk of contracting malaria is present, the travel industry and the medical profession should be among the first to advise the tourist, says a WHO spokesman. "Unfortunately," he adds, "such advice is not always given."

The number of malaria cases reported to WHO has more than doubled during the

past five years, and many more cases are assumed here to go unreported. In some countries, there has been a 30-to-40-fold increase in the disease. Strains of the malaria parasite resistant to chloroquine drug treatment have been reported from 20 countries; and resistance to the most widely available pesticides by insects carrying the parasite has been observed in 62 of the 107 countries where malaria is present.

About 125 million cases of malaria are reported annually around the world, mainly in tropical Africa. The disease is also widespread in Asia and Latin America. Of all the parasitic diseases, malaria is not only the greatest killer, but also one of the most widespread.

In Africa alone, one million children die from the disease every year. Detection is difficult because only microscopic examination of blood permits a correct diagnosis since clinical manifestations are similar to those of a number of other diseases.

Hence the importance of a recent triumph by a team of scientists at the University of Hawaii who developed a new, experimental vaccine and managed to immunize monkeys against the deadliest form of human malaria for the first time. Dr. Wasim A. Siddiqui and his associates, working on a U.N. grant, have injected three vaccinated monkeys and two non-vaccinated ones with a malaria parasite. As they had hoped, the vaccinated animals survived and the non-vaccinated ones died with high parasite levels in the blood.

That was only the most spectacular among a series of successful current experiments conducted in many countries

and aimed at the development of a widely available vaccine to be deployed against the disease globally. A spokesman for the research promotion and development section of WHO here estimates that such a vaccine may well become available, at least for clinical trials, perhaps in three years.

The Hawaii triumph was preceded by another research breakthrough at the Rockefeller University in New York in the test-tube cultivation of the blood from the malaria parasite. "These successes," comments a specialist here, "have brought the possibility of a malaria vaccine on big step nearer to reality, although much research still needs to be done to bring this elusive killer under control."

Parasitic diseases pose special difficulties in vaccine development for three reasons: first, the natural immune response of the patient to the parasite is just not understood; second, the parasites seem to have ways of hiding from that

response at vulnerable stages of their life cycle; and third, they cannot, for the most part, be grown through all the stages of their life cycle anywhere but in their natural hosts.

It is the third of these difficulties that has now been overcome with the malaria parasite. Immunologists will thus be able to collect samples of the parasites and develop vaccines against them. But if the scientists' achievements are to be translated into widely applied public health projects, large numbers of research and medical personnel will need to be trained in the countries most affected by the disease.

A Tanzanian delegate told WHO's World Health Assembly here earlier this year: "Malaria daily erodes our economic efforts and kills our children... Do not look at our hospital statistics, the deaths are not there. Most of the child deaths occur in the village, in less than 12 hours, without ever reaching hospital." —(OFNS)

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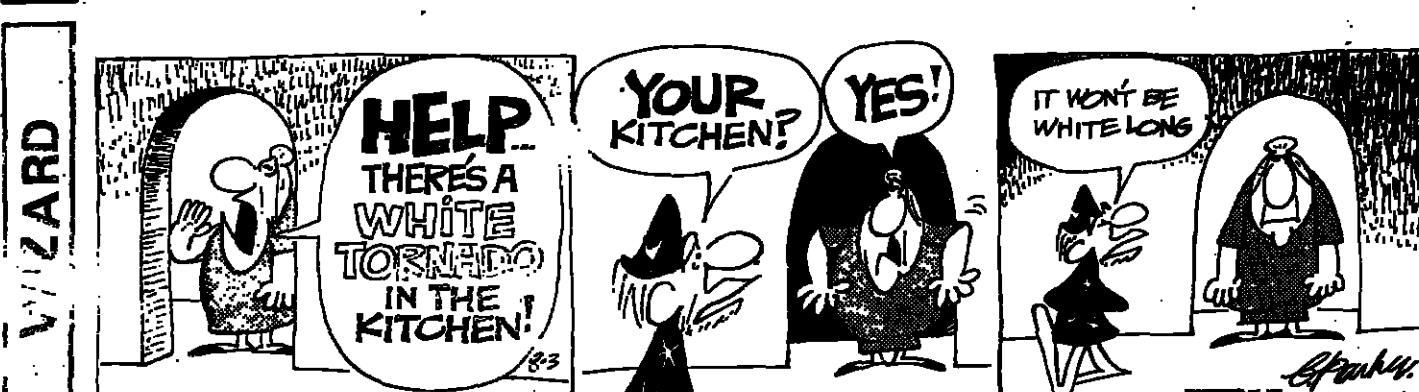
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1. Utimate

2. Turkish city

3. Forgive

4. Retire

5. March or

6. Yule

7. Building

8. Cain's

9. Casualties

10. Sanskrit

11. Snapshot

12. First-rate

13. Outsize

14. Dutch

15. Reverberate

16. Iranian

17. Sank

18. Line

19. Gear tooth

20. Was

21. Size

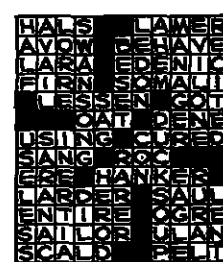
22. Humble

23. Wound up

24. Unravel

25. Mountain

26. Crest



Yesterday's Answer

28. Meddler

29. Averse

30. Greek island

31. Evening

32. Conifer

33. Brown

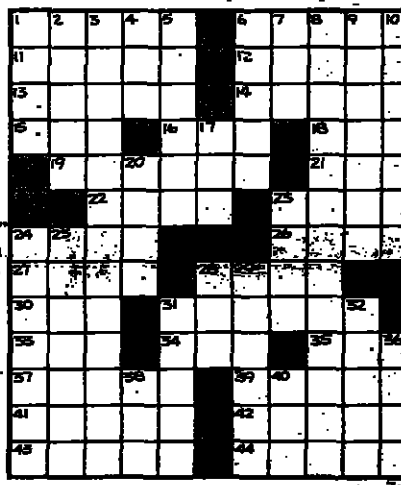
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36. Shinto

37. Temple

38. Partner



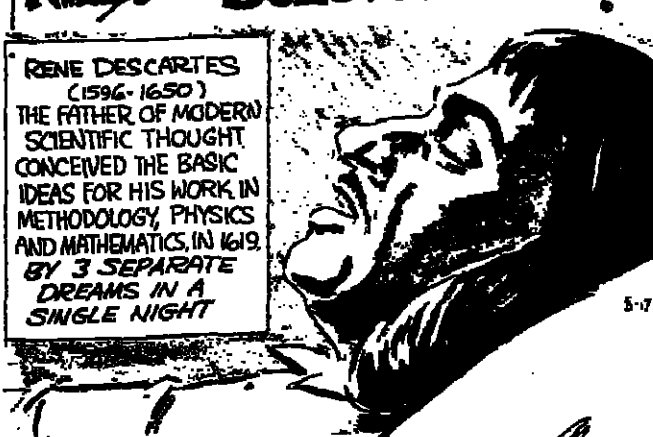
DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE - Here's how to work it:  
A X Y D L B A A X E  
L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

## CRYPTOQUOTES

YEUSTZA WM H FUAS OAXAWC-  
AU. MKA MANNM CAUR OAHU  
SKA SKWZFM MKA MAALM SE  
FWCA TM. - CWZXAES CEWSTUA  
Yesterday's Cryptquote: ANTS ARE GOOD CITIZENS; THEY  
PLACE GROUP INTEREST FIRST. -CLARENCE DAY

## Believe It or Not!



## Contract Bridge

B. Jay Becker

## Once in a Lifetime

South dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ Q32

♥ 765

♦ 132

♣ 6532

WEST

♠ 10986

♥ 1083

♦ 1097

♣ J108

EAST

♠ 754

♥ 10842

♦ 1085

♣ 1097

SOUTH

♠ A K J

♥ A K J

♦ A K Q

♣ A K

The bidding:

South West North East

1NT Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead - ten of spades.

We all indulge in fantasy, so

let's imagine you're the dealer

and open the bidding with six

notrump. West leads a spade

and the question is how to play

the hand so as to have the best

chance for the slam. Remember,

you don't see the East-West

cards and, in fact, they

could theoretically be divided

in millions of different ways.

The best method of play is to

start by winning the spade

lead with the king and playing

the four of clubs! One of your

main hopes is to find the clubs

divided 3-3, and the safest way

of probing this possibility is by

leading low. If you started out

by playing the A-K of clubs

and found the suit divided 4-2,

your pipe dream would quickly

come to an end.

Let's say West wins the club

and returns the nine of spades.

Win with the ace and cash the

A-K of clubs. If both defenders

follow suit, dummy's six of

clubs becomes a trick and you're

within inches of making

the contract. Cash the

A-K-Q of diamonds and, if the

jack falls, the slam is in the

bag. You later discard your

jack of hearts on dummy's six

of clubs.

If the jack does not fall on

your A-K-Q, plan to rely

on a heart finesse - after

discarding your diamond ten

on dummy's club winner.

If the clubs are not divided

3-3, you still have a chance,

though not a good one. Cash

the A-K-Q of diamonds and, if

the jack falls, the slam is in

the bag. You later discard your

jack of hearts on dummy's six

of clubs. The odds against this

high-card points are six mil-

lion to 1!

## ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

## PRAYER

THURSDAY	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhu	Iqrah	Jah
Mecor	4:45	6:05	12:5	6:52	8:52
Medina	4:39	5:58	12:34	6:37	8:37
Nejd	4:11	5:36	12:04	6:27	8:27

## DHAHRAN TV

5:30 Childrens Show	Mr. Rogers No. 1224. Zoom
5:00 Man from Atlantis	No. 432
5:49 Jokers Wild	IMP
6:08 Welcome BK. Kotter	No. 493
6:33 Harry O	No. 208 Checken Ala Kotter
7:24 Health Education	Mysterious Case
7:25 Barista	Do it for them Mother
8:25 Second run Theater	Playin police
	Luv

## WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours:  
A concentration of rain clouds may cause thundershowers over the southwestern region and parts of the western region. The rest of the country will have usual summer weather, with surface winds blowing mostly northerly to northwesterly at light moderate speed.

Sea conditions will be calm to moderate in the territorial waters.

Wednesday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecor	43	32	Taif	32	21
Jeddah	38	26	Tabuk	35	20
Riyadh	42	26	Arar	39	21
Dhahran	45	25	Yanbu	33	27
Medina	38	29	Ahha	41	17

## SAUDI RADIO

## THURSDAY

Afternoon Transmission

1:00 Opening

1:01 The Holy Quran

1:05 Gems of Guidance

1:10 S.A. - A Daily

Chronicle

1:15 S.A. - Historical Notes

1:30 Off the Record

2:09 Your Choice

2:30 On Islam

2:40 Islam The Divine Truth

2:50 Reflections on Fasting

2:55 Music

3:00 NEWS

3:10 Press Review

3:15 Music

3:20 My Music

3:30 Close Down

## Evening Transmission

10:00 Opening

10:01 The Holy Quran

10:05 Reflections on Fasting

10:10 Light Music

10:15 NEWS

10:25 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle

10:30 Music Worldwide

11:00 Champions of Solidarity

11:10 Press Review

11:15 The Sixties

11:45 The World of Guitar

12:00 Islamic Contributions

12:15 The Songwriters

12:45 A Rendezvous with

Dreams

12:59 Close Down

## VOA

## F.M.

8:00 News Roundup:

Reports: Actualities:

Opinion: Analyses

8:30 Dateline

News Summary

9:00 Special English:

News; Feature: The

Making of a Nation

News Summary

9:30 Music USA:

(Standards)

10:00 News Roundup:

Reports: Actualities

10:15 Opinion: Analyses

## News Summary

8:30 VOA Magazine:

America; Science;

Cultural; Letter;

11:00 Special English:

News

11:30 Music USA:

(Jazz)

## VOA WORLD REPORT

Midnight

12:00 News...newsmakers'

voices...correspondents

reports...background

features...media com-

ments...news analyses.

## BBC

7:00 World News

7:15 News about Britain

7:30 Our own correspondent

7:45 "Diversimento

7:55 "Lives of Lives

8:00 World News

8:05 Reflections

8:15 "The Pleasure's Yours

9:00 World News

9:05 British Press Review

9:15 From the Weeklies

9:30 New Ideas

9:40 Look Ahead

9:45 Sports Review

10:15 Scotland '77

10:30 Sunday Service

11:00 World News

11:05 News about Britain

11:15 Our own correspondent

11:30 Theatre of the Air

12:30 My Kind of Jazz (ex

18th, 25th, Let the Peo-

ples Sing)

1:00 World News

1:05 Commentary

1:15 Letter from America

1:30 Short Story

1:45 Sandi Jones Requests

2:30 The Takeaway Man

3:00 "Radio Newsworld

3:15 Promenade Concerts

4:00 World News

4:05 Commentary

4:15 Our own correspondent

4:40 Look Ahead

4:45 The Storytellers

5:00 World News

5:05 "Book Choice

5:15 "The Secret War

5:45 Sportsall

6:00 World News

6:05 News about Britain

6:15 Radio Newsworld

6:30 What's New

7:00 Radio Theatre

7:45 Face of England

8:00 World News

8:05 Commentary

8:15 Letterbox

8:30 Sunday Half-hour

9:00 Theatre Call (ex 4th,

Europe)

9:15 "Europa (ex 4th, From

the Music Festival)

9:30 From the Music Festi-

vals (ex 4th)

9:45 4th, Athletics

10:00 World News

10:05 "Our own correspondent

10:25 "Book Choice

10:40 Reflections

10:45 Sportsall

11:00 World News

11:05 Commentary

11:15 New Ideas

11:25 Notes from an observer

11:30 Folk and Country

## Your Individual Horoscope

Francis Drake

FOR THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 1978

What kind of day will

tomorrow be? To find out what

the stars say, read the

forecast given for your birth

Sign.



## Florida swimmers defeated

MIAMI, Florida, Aug. 16 (AP) — The two swimmers medaled in the 100-meter butterfly at the World Championships in London last week were not the only ones to shine. In a dramatic upset, a team of swimmers from Florida defeated the United States team in the 100-meter butterfly relay at the Pan American Games in Havana, Cuba, Sunday.

The Florida team, consisting of Diana Nyad, 28, who first swam the 100-meter butterfly in 1966, and three other swimmers, won the relay in 4:10.12, while the U.S. team finished in 4:11.12.

Nyad, who has won four Olympic medals, said she was "tired" but "happy" to win. She said she had been training for this moment for a long time.

The Florida team's victory was a surprise to many, as the U.S. team was considered the favorite. The Florida team's coach, John W. Smith, said he was "proud" of his team's performance.

Then, just as victory seemed certain, the current began pulling her north. The land curved westward and the gap from her to the shore widened. She called it quits about 1900 GMT.

"I am tired," she admitted when she came ashore. "I would have continued the swim, but the boys made me give it up."

She was 32 hours and more than 160 kilometers from her starting point.

Nyad had said frankly all along that she was swimming for money. She retained an agent, sold rights to news organizations and signed sponsorship deals with makers of toothpaste and bottled water.

Her entourage at sea included trainers, navigators, a helicopter supply service and a \$55,000 shark cage, built as part of a \$134,000 budget.

"This swim could set up my whole future," she said before starting.

Miss Taylor emerged from obscurity. She had solid credentials in marathon swimming, including two successful

swims across the English Channel, but she received only sparse publicity before the swim. She had a pair of support boats and two men on paddleboards to shoot away sharks.

Both women swam more than 96 kilometers, the distance Nyad said is recognized by marathon swimmers as the record. But whether either set a record is unclear. Nyad said she followed the rules of the International Marathon Association. But, she said, she was not in a marathon race, therefore, no record.

Taylor was not in a race either and got out of the water three times when the shark menaced her.

Dick Mullins, spokesman of the Swimming Hall of Fame in Fort Lauderdale, was asked about records. "As far as this swim being recognized, who can say?" he said. "It will be a public opinion type of thing."

Nyad, coming ashore at Key West, said simply, "I don't think there is another swimmer alive who has done what I've done today."

## Marathon swim race begins in Lake Ontario

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE, Canada, Aug. 16 (AP) — A large crowd was on hand early Wednesday when nine marathon swimmers, including an Egyptian national champion, set off at 2 a.m. (0800 GMT) for a 51-kilometer swim across Lake Ontario to Toronto.

Weather conditions were described as perfect for the crossing.

A torn shoulder muscle forced one of 10 swimmers entered in the race to withdraw Tuesday. Ahmad Amin Youssef of Egypt, 22, injured his shoulder last month in a race at La Tuque, Quebec, and said it was still too weak to allow him to compete.

Supervised and conducted by the Canadian National Exhibition, the first prize for the swim is \$25,000.

Second prize is \$10,000 and all swimmers who finish get \$500.

The record for the crossing, 15 hours and 18 minutes, was set in 1974 by Canadian swimmer Cindy Nicholas.

The swimmers include three Canadians, three Americans, a Mexican, an Argentinian and an Egyptian.

Claudio Pili, 23, is national professional champion of Argentina; Magdy Mansour, 32, is national champion of Egypt; and Raul Villagomez, 28, is national professional marathon champion of Mexico.

## Paper claims IOC will accept L.A. games plan

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 16 (AP) — International Olympic Committee negotiators have agreed to free Los Angeles from financial liability for the 1984 summer games, the "Los

Angeles Times" said Wednesday.

The newspaper said that F. Don Miller, executive director of the U.S. Olympic Committee, and John C. Argue, leader of the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee, reported the breakthrough. However, contract language must be approved before the agreement is released publicly, the Times said.

The IOC has declined to comment on the report. In New York City, IOC attorney Richard Greene said he had been instructed by the organization's president and executive director to make no statements on the negotiations.

The IOC executive board is to meet Aug. 29-31 in Lausanne, Switzerland, to discuss the games.

## Korchnoi and Karpov show; drawn again

BAGUIO CITY, Philippines, Aug. 16 (AP) — Despite confusion over who offered it, champion Anatoly Karpov of the Soviet Union and Soviet defector Viktor Korchnoi agreed Wednesday to a draw without resuming play in the adjourned 12th game of the World Chess Championship.

Florencio Campomanes, chief organizer of the \$550,000 series announced the draw just after noon, almost five hours before the players were scheduled to resume play.

The confusion was sparked by Korchnoi's denial that he had offered a draw Tuesday night, after Karpov had left the stage apparently expecting Korchnoi to seal his 44th move for adjournment.

Lothar Schmid, the West German chief arbiter, had said that Korchnoi had offered the draw but then went ahead and sealed his move, took to king's rook 1.

Asked by reporters Wednesday about Schmid's statement, Korchnoi denied the offer. "Probably he misunderstood me," the 47-year-old challenger said.

In fact, Korchnoi said, Karpov offered him a draw after asking his 43rd move, but he rejected the offer unless it was relayed through Schmid.

Korchnoi declared before the 10th game he had "cut off friendly communications" with the champion and asked Schmid to require that draws be offered through him. The 27-year-old title holder insisted that chess tradition be followed and the draw be offered to his opponent.

Korchnoi complained to Schmid Wednesday afternoon about Karpov's stand. Reporters heard the challenger tell the arbiter that if Karpov persisted in making direct offers, "I will abuse him. I won't be sparing with my words and will call him a bandit."

"Don't do that," Schmid begged. "If you do, you will be liable for a charge of interference. Keep your sense of humor."

In Cordoba, Spain, Boris Spassky of the Soviet Union beat Spain's Fernando Visier in 38 moves in the opening round of the eighth international "Montilla-Moriles" chess tournament at the nearby town of Montilla Tuesday.

Other results of the opening round were: Cioabote of Romania def. Hariver of Canada in 40 moves.

## Canadian Open

## Gottfried, Dibbs advance

TORONTO, Canada, Aug. 16 (AP) — Second-seeded Brian Gottfried defeated Greg Halder 6-3, 6-1 Tuesday night in the second round of the rain-delayed Canadian Open Tennis tournament.

In an earlier match, top-seeded Eddie Dibbs eliminated Rejean Genois 6-2, 6-4.

The Gottfried-Halder match was delayed more than two hours because of a thunder-shower at the York University Tennis Center.

Halder was serving and leading 3-2 in the first set when the rains came to center court. When the pair returned, Gottfried broke Halder's service, won the next two games at love and allowed the Canadian only five points in the final four games to close out the set.

In the second set, Gottfried rushed the net on almost every point, forcing Halder in-

to long passing shots that rarely found the mark.

The rain forced suspension of three matches—one of them a first-round men's singles match involving Balazs Taroczy of Hungary and Zeljko Franulovic of Yugoslavia. All were due to be concluded Wednesday.

In other late matches, unseeded Ivan Molina upset sixth-seeded Wojtek Fibak of Poland 6-3, 7-5; fourth-seeded Raul Ramirez of Mexico beat Pat Dupre 7-6, 7-6 and fifth-seeded John Alexander of Australia downed Yannick Noah of France 6-7, 7-5, 6-4.

In women's late action, third-seeded Regina Marsikova of Czechoslovakia defeated Nerita Gregory 6-2, 6-2; Yvonne Vermaak of South Africa eliminated Renata Tomanova of Czechoslovakia 2-6, 6-2, 6-0 and Diane Desfor

ousted Helena Anliot of Switzerland 3-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Earlier, Dibbs had to survive a second-set surge by Genois to beat the upstart Canadian.

Dibbs easily won the first set, using hard passing shots each time the 25-year-old Genois rushed the net. Dibbs led the second set 4-1 when the Canadian began his comeback.

Genois broke Dibbs' service in the sixth game, held service in the seventh and tied the set at 4-4 when he again broke Dibbs in the eighth game.

But Dibbs, the fifth-ranked player in the world, broke the Canadian's service at love in the next game, then held his serve to win the match and advance to the third round of the \$210,000 Grand Prix tournament.

Dibbs currently is in third place in the Grand Prix points race and could overtake leader Bjorn Borg and second-place Jimmy Connors in the standings with a victory here. Both Borg and Connors say they have dropped out of the Grand Prix circuit.

In other first-round matches, seventh-seeded John McEnroe of the United States beat Pat Rodriguez of Chile 7-6, 6-2; eighth-seeded Jose Higueras of Spain beat Roberto Lombardi of Italy 6-3, 6-3; Adriano Panatta of Italy defeated Eric Deblicker of France 6-2, 6-2; Paul Krom of Australia upended Pat Cornejo of Chile 6-6, 6-3, 6-3; Chris Lewis of New Zealand defeated Robert Bettaur of Canada 6-1, 6-2, and Colin Dibley of Australia beat Alvaro Fillol of Chile 6-4, 6-7, 6-1.

Meanwhile in Stowe, Vermont, second-seeded Harold Solomon jumped to a quick lead in both sets and then held on to defeat Mark Edmondson in opening round play Tuesday in the Stowe Grand Prix tennis tournament.

Solomon took the first four games in each set, but had to scramble to run out the match against the powerful but erratic Australian, 6-4, 6-3.

## Dodgers nip Phillies

NEW YORK, Aug. 16 (AP) — Dave Lopes doubled and later scored the winning run on a sacrifice fly by Reggie Smith in the seventh inning as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Philadelphia Phillies 5-4 Tuesday night.

In other National League games, Dan Driessen's solo home run in the 10th inning gave the Cincinnati Reds a 4-3 victory over Pittsburgh in a game marked by the ejections of Pirate pitcher Bert Blyleven and manager Chuck Tanner.

Ellis Valentine smashed a two-out solo home run in the bottom of the ninth inning to give the Montreal Expos a 4-3 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

George Hendrick, continuing his hot hitting, led a 17-hit St. Louis attack with a three-run homer and a pair of singles as the Cardinals trounced the Houston Astros 11-5.

Craig Swan and Skip Lockwood combined on a five-hitter while Steve Henderson and Lee Mazzilli delivered run-scoring hits in the eighth inning to break a 1-1 tie and

give the New York Mets a 3-1 triumph over the San Diego Padres.

Bill Buckner drove in three runs with a single and double and Bobby Murcer and Dave Kingman slugged homers in the sixth inning to power the Chicago Cubs to a 12-8 victory over the Atlanta Braves.

In the American League, Richie Zisk's seventh-inning home run gave the Texas Rangers a 1-0 victory over Chicago, despite the two-hit pitching of the White Sox' Steve Stone.

Don Money's RBI single capped a six-run fourth inning and Jerry Augustine pitched a five-hitter, leading the Milwaukee Brewers to a 9-1 victory over the Toronto Blue Jays in the first game of a double-header. The second game was postponed by rain.

Jose Morales cracked a one-out home run in the eighth inning, boosting the Minnesota Twins to a 9-8 victory over the Cleveland Indians.

Third-seeded Tim Lullikson of the United States advanced with a 6-3, 5-3 victory over Australian Dick Crealy.

## New York, Boston strong in WTT

NEW YORK, Aug. 16 (AP) — Vitas Gerulaitis and Martina Navratilova were the best singles players during the recently concluded World Team Tennis season and Tuesday night they gave every indication that won't change in the playoffs.

Gerulaitis, in his first WTT season, started his singles match with the New York Applepies holding a slim 17-14 lead, but it was no contest after that.

The 24-year-old native New Yorker crushed Mark Cox 6-1 and then combined with Ray Ruffels to defeat Cox and Anaheim player-coach Cliff Drysdale by the same score as New York opened defense of

its WTT title, blasting the Oranges 29-16 in the opening match of a first-round playoff series.

Navratilova posted a pair of victory over Turnbull and Pat time win over New Orleans. The Wimbledon queen defeated Wendy Turnbull 6-4 and teamed with Terry Holladay for a 6-3 victory over Turnbull and Pat Bostrum as the Lobsters took a 1-0 lead in their best-of-three series with the Nets.

In other opening round WTT playoff matches, the Los Angeles Strings defeated the Golden Gaters 29-17 and the San Diego Friars topped the Seattle Cascades 30-22.

Anaheim's Francoise Durr to clinch the Lobsters victory.

and Anand Amritraj edged Bille Jean King and Ray Ruffels to give the Oranges a 7-5 lead. Joanne Russell tied the match 11-11 with a 6-4 victory over Durr. She then teamed with King to defeat Nancy Richey and Kathy Harter 6-3 to give the Apples a lead they widened with Gerulaitis' performance.

Anne Smith and Roy Emerson beat Bostrum and John Lucas 6-4 and Tony Roche edged Andrew Pattison 7-6 for Boston's other set triumphs.

Pattison teamed with Maity Riessen to beat Roche and Emerson 7-5 in men's doubles and send the match into overtime. But Roche held service to clinch the Lobsters victory.



PELE AND PAL: Brazilian soccer great Pelé shares a break at his Trenton, N.J. training camp with an admirer from Germany.

## Angry end in Colombia soccer game

BOGOTA, Colombia, Aug. 16 (UPI) — Soccer officials were still trying to figure out Tuesday who won the Deportivo Cali vs. American soccer match that ended in kicks, curses and bitter controversy.

Deportivo Cali was leading the Sunday match in Cali 2-0 at halftime but referee Octavio Sierra, limping from a kick by a Cali player, called it off and awarded the victory to America by default.

The stated reason: Deportivo Cali had only six players

left after Sierra sent off five for rough play and personal attacks against himself, one less than the minimum required to finish the match.

Colombian soccer officials were studying reports on the match to decide which team was entitled to the victory.

Newspapers across the country devoted major space to the conflicting versions of what happened and who was to blame, with general consensus that one of the coun-

try's classic matches had been ruined by the violence.

Feeling ran high for the meeting between the traditional western Colombia rivals and Sierra sent off the first Cali player, Argentine Alberto Benitez, in the 13th minute for tripping an opponent while tackling.

The whole Cali team surrounded the referee to protest and Benitez knocked Sierra down with a kick from behind that caught his left ankle.

## E. Germans dominate cycling trials

MUNICH, West Germany, Aug. 16 (AP) — East Germans dominated the opening event at the World Cycling Championships Wednesday, posting the three fastest times in eliminations of the individual amateur pursuit.

Detlef Macha led the way with a clocking of 4:36.34 minutes over four kilometers on the wood-surfaced Munich Olympics Velodrome, lapping West German Bruno Hanle and eliminating him from competition.

Macha's time was the fastest ever recorded over the distance from a standing start, but it

does not go down as a world record because marks can be set only when racers are alone on the track. J. Lund of Denmark holds the record of 4:45.25 mins. set in 1972 in Mexico City.

Defending champion Norberto Duerpich had the second-best time of 4:40.08, paired against Swiss Robert Dill Bundi who also qualified for the afternoon's round of 16 with a time of 4:40.94.

Third fastest in the starting field of 37 was Uwe Unterwiesing in 4:40.24, the silver medalist behind teammate Duerpich at the 1977 championship.

ships in San Cristobal, Venezuela. The finals are Thursday night.

Some 300 cyclists from 33 nations are competing in 12 disciplines during the events in the Bavarian capital. Seven are for amateur men, three for professional men and two for amateur women.

The first title will be decided Wednesday night — the 1,000-meter time trial in which East German defending champion Lothar Thoms is heavily favored.

Other events on the opening day program are preliminaries in women's sprints and amateur men's motor-paced.

## Borg buys estate

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 16 (AP) — Triple Wimbledon champion Bjorn Borg has bought a "summer paradise" island estate in Sweden from a leading industrialist at a cost of "somewhere near" two million kronor (about \$463,000), a real estate agent said Wednesday.

Agent Bengt Rosenberg said Curt Nicolin, chairman of the Swedish Employers' Federation, sold his summer residence of 180 kilometers south of Stockholm to Borg.

The contract was signed yesterday evening, Rosenberg said.

Newspapers said Borg, currently abroad but acting through representatives, paid two million kronor for the 300,000 square meter estate.

## Ibal, Woolmer ace cricket match victories

LONDON, Aug. 16 (Agence) — World Series Cricket leagues Asif Ibal of Pakistan and England's Bob Woolmer bowled Kent to their 12th English County Cricket Championship victory of the season last night at Worcester.

Woolmer started the second innings collapse with a spell of 1 for 21 in seven overs and Ibal captured four for 55 all out.

Ibal's medium paced deliveries off the later batsmen of Worcestershire, just as the team was bidding to back into the match at Worcester. Ted Hensley made 40 for Worcestershire, who had won, threatened to set a target at least. But Asif Ibal bowled Kent to their 12th English County Cricket Championship victory of the season last night at Worcester.

Woolmer collected a maximum of 10 wickets for his 10 wicket victory and look virtually certain to retain the title they won with Middlesex last season.

sex, their nearest challenger seemed on the point of winning Leicestershire but the came down to drown their Leicestershire, needing for victory, slumped to 0 or three with Stuart Turpin claiming all the wickets.

Worcester's Brian Davison up the Essex onslaught, fighting 23 but, after he been dismissed by off-spinner David Achfeld, Leicestershire slipped to 46 for five.

sex came the rain. Ibal collected only six and are 26 behind Kent in a match in hand.

## Li trims and terms Spinks 'ugly'

ER LAKE, Pennsylvania, 16 (AP) — A trim and Muhammad Ali work before 200 New York Star and a couple of modest victories Tuesday, then he predicted he would the world heavyweight championship from Leon in New Orleans Sept. 15.

that man is too ugly to ent us," the 36-year-old champion said at a news conference in front of his log-training headquarters.

Today's training session special for Ali. He was using four busloads of children. They had an argument with Spinks several days ago but he failed to

half a year ago when he lost to the former Olympic champion in a shattering upset. Nevertheless, he jested with his guests.

And he said he had boxed 266 rounds in preparation for the return fight and was in as good shape as he had ever been at a similar stage prior to any of his fights.

The former champion was asked how much he felt he had slipped in the 14 years since he first won the heavyweight crown from Sonny Liston in Miami Beach in 1964.

"On a scale from 1 to 100, I would say I was a 95 against Liston," he said. "Now, I am about 80."

"What about Spinks?" someone asked.

"Thirty-five," Ali said. Members of the Ali entourage — numbering close to 20 — insist that they have never seen Ali work so hard.

## N.Y. marathon

NEW YORK, Aug. 16 (AP) — A record-breaking 10,000 marathon runners from all over the world will attack the 26-mile race through New York City's five boroughs this fall.

Some 1,000 women will compete in the Oct. 22 run, the largest number ever, and three times as many as last year.

Applications will not be accepted after Aug. 15, said Fred Lebow, president of the New York Road Runners Club, which sponsors the 26-mile marathon.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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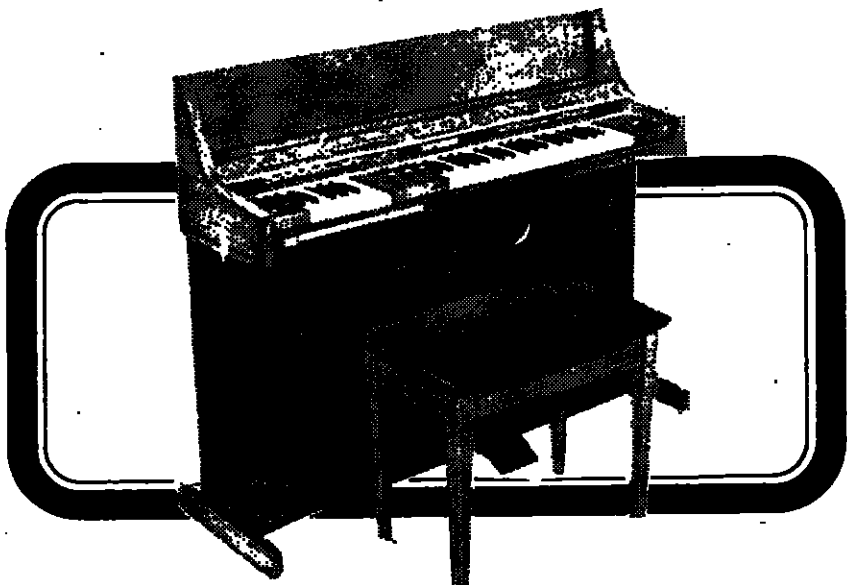
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### Arrives in Bucharest

## Hua welcomed by huge crowds

BUCHAREST, Aug. 16 (R) — Chinese Communist Party Chairman Hua Kuo-feng Wednesday marked an historic phase in Peking's new, outward-looking foreign policy when he arrived in Romania to a rousing welcome from huge crowds.

Hua's visits to Romania, foreign policy maverick of the Soviet bloc countries, and Communist, but non-aligned, Yugoslavia next week mark the first by a Chinese party chairman outside Asia since Mao Tse-tung went to Moscow in 1957.

In a carefully organized welcome, more than 200,000 people turned out to see Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu and Hua being driven from the

airport to central Bucharest in an open limousine.

Featured among the crowds who chanted the leaders' names were gymnasts, musicians and many groups in colorful Romanian folk costumes.

During a stop at Scinteia Square, Bucharest Mayor Ion Dinca handed Hua the keys to the city and later Romanian Pioneers (scouts) put a garland of flowers around him at Victory Square.

Hua then entered personally into the festivities when he joined a performance of the "hors", a Romanian ring dance.

The official Romanian press printed identical front-page editorials hailing the five day visit

as being of historic significance in relations between the two countries and their Communist Parties.

Hua's tour, which will also include Iran, puts the spotlight on the independent line which Romania and Yugoslavia take from the Soviet Union.

Both Eastern and Western diplomats said the visit was certain to arouse Moscow's anger and increase Soviet fears that China was trying to encroach on its traditional sphere of influence.

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Diplomats said the timing of Hua's European trip and his choice of countries were likely to prove more significant than his actual talks.

The tour coincides with the 10th anniversary of the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact invasion of Czechoslovakia which crushed the short-lived reformist regime of Alexander Dubcek in Prague on Aug. 21, 1968. Romania was the only Warsaw Pact country which refused to assign troops to the invading force.

Hua also arrived in Bucharest shortly after the signing of the Sino-Japanese treaty, which infuriated Moscow because of its phrasing on domination by any power in the Asian region.

## Communists may rule Iceland

REYKJAVIK, Aug. 16 (R) — The leader of Iceland's Communist Party, Ludvik Josefsson, Wednesday agreed to try to form a coalition government and end the country's seven-week government crisis.

If he succeeds, it would mark the first time that a Communist-led government has held power in a member country of NATO.

Josefsson was asked to try to form the coalition cabinet by President Kristjan Eldjarn. He said later he had agreed to try to bring the Social Democrats and the Center Progressive Party into a coalition with the Communists.

The crisis was triggered by big leftist gains in the country's general election on June 25 in which the center-right government suffered heavy losses.

Josefsson's Communists said during the election campaign that they opposed Iceland's membership of NATO and the continued presence of U.S. bases in the country.



RAY TESTIFIES: James Earl Ray testifies before the House committee Wednesday.

## Ray declares his innocence of King murder, blames FBI

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (Agencies) — James Earl Ray, convicted in 1969 of the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King, in his first public testimony on the murder, denied Wednesday that he had killed King and claimed the assassination was an FBI plot.

Speaking 10 years after the murder of the civil rights leader on the balcony of a hotel in Memphis, Tennessee, Ray said:

"I did not kill Dr. Martin Luther King."

He told a hushed and heavily guarded meeting of the House of Representatives Assassinations Committee that the killing of King was a conspiracy between the FBI and the Memphis police department.

Flown under close guard into Washington on Monday for his historic appearance, he claimed through his lawyer that he had been beaten up by prison officials since his arrival.

Dressed in a gray check sports coat, slacks, a blue shirt and striped tie, Ray began his statement by saying that three FBI documents "of the greatest importance" had come into the hands of his lawyer only Tuesday.

"My lawyer, Mark Lane, has just examined three FBI documents which provide further evidence of possible FBI-Memphis police complicity in a conspiracy to murder Dr. King," he said.

In his opening remarks Ray said that the statement he was about to make was the evidence he would have given if he had been allowed to testify at his trial in 1969.

Ray then pleaded guilty to the King murder and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

## S. African doctor says black may have been hit

PORT ELIZABETH, South Africa, Aug. 16 (R) — A government pathologist acknowledged Wednesday that some injuries suffered by a black suspect who dropped to his death from the fifth floor of security police headquarters could have been inflicted before he fell.

Pathologist Leendert von Ieperin was being cross-examined on the second day of the inquest into the death of 20-year-old Lungile Tabalaza.

According to police, Tabalaza leapt from a fifth floor window while he was being questioned about possible involvement in arson and the use of bombs. He had been arrested for alleged robbery from the driver of a baker's van which was afterwards set alight.

Von Ieperin said in his post mortem report Wednesday that Tabalaza had a compound fracture of the right leg, a fracture and dislocation of the pelvis, a fracture of the right shoulder blade and a skull fracture.

He said the fractures and a number of bruises and lacerations were likely to have been caused by the 19.5 meters fall.

But pressed by Dr. Will Cooper, the senior counsel presenting the Tabalaza family, he said it was impossible to gauge the exact moment when injuries were sustained, including a bruise on the right arm, a laceration below the jaw, a bruise on the abdomen, scratches on the left arm and bruises on the legs.

## Six die in Tanzania air crash

NAIROBI, Aug. 16 (AP) — Six persons, all but one tourist were reported killed Wednesday after their light aircraft crashed into Mount Kilimanjaro on border of Kenya and Tanzania.

Initial reports by Kenyan officials said that two local couples and a German tourist died with the Kenyan pilot.

The aircraft crashed on Tanzanian side of the border when it apparently went into a steep climb.

The identities of those killed were not immediately available.

## U.S. says no to Iran over buying warplane

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (AP) — President Carter has rejected Iran's request to buy some of the most advanced U.S. electronic warfare equipment designed to blind and destroy enemy radar and anti-aircraft batteries, administration officials said Wednesday.

The issue has divided some of Carter's senior advisers, with State Department and Arms Control Agency officials opposing the sale while the Defense Department favored it.

However, a senior administration official, declining to be identified publicly, said the turnaround is "not necessarily forever."

Iran has been America's biggest arms customer.

## Balloonists nearly hit Ireland

BEDFORD, Massachusetts, Aug. 16 (AP) — Three Americans aboard Double Eagle II, a helium-filled craft, traveling about 25 miles above the water in strong but bitterly cold, 40-knot winds, was expected to pass over Ireland by 2400 GMT.

"That is considered European soil but they would like to bring it to the European mainland," said ground crew member Sue Bernard.

Double Eagle II, trailing a catamaran boat as a gondola, set out late Friday from Presque Isle, Maine. Shortly after 8 a.m. Wednesday, the balloon has eclipsed the record for remaining aloft, 107 1/2 hours set in an attempted Atlantic crossing in 1976.

## Carter sends message to Kuwait

KUWAIT, Aug. 16 (AP) — Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah received a message Wednesday from U.S. President Carter, delivered by U.S. Ambassador Frank Maestrome.

The contents were not disclosed, but observers here believe it outlined Carter's latest Middle East peace initiative, including the forthcoming meeting at Camp David with President Sadat and Prime Minister Begin.

Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah reportedly told Maestrome earlier this week that Kuwait was not optimistic about the summit, in view of what Sheikh Sabah described as Israeli intransigence.

## From page one

### Beirut

manuel Erskine, commander of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon arrived in the Lebanese capital Wednesday from Israel, and drove immediately to the defense ministry where he met army commander Victor Khoury, Lebanon's U.N. Ambassador Ghassan Tuani, and senior military personnel.

Prime Minister Salim Hoss said the defense ministry discussed the issue of the Lebanese army unit which has been unable to deploy at Tibnine, in South Lebanon, because of the opposition of Israeli-backed rightists.

Dr. Hoss was speaking to reporters after a cabinet meeting which reviewed the result of his 24-hour visit to Damascus, which ended Tuesday.

Former President Camille Chamoun said Wednesday there could be no political solution before the withdrawal

of "all armed forces without exception" from Lebanon.

The rightist leader, who was commenting on the results of Dr. Hoss's visit to Syria, said in a statement quoted by the right-wing Phalangist radio he was opposed to a renewal of the Arab peace force's mandate which expires in October.

"They should withdraw gradually from Lebanese territory to safeguard their prestige, particularly the dignity of the Saudi and Sudanese forces for which we harbor all goodwill, appreciation and gratitude," he added.

The broadcast also quoted Phalangist Party leader Pierre Gemayel as saying the present situation could not continue.

"We are living in a divided homeland and occupied territory with dispersed or displaced people," he said. "Neither is the government able to implement, nor is parliament able to legislate."

### Carter

ings were held Wednesday, or what other administration officials took part.

Granum would not say whether Carter was planning to direct the government to intervene in money markets to support the dollar.

"It's not my attitude that it's none of your business," the spokesman said. "It's a very sensitive issue, and we're just not going to have any more to say about it...this is the only responsible way to deal with it."

Carter's statement came too late to prevent the U.S. currency coming under renewed pressure on world money markets Wednesday.

However, the dollar's performance was an improvement on the record lows it touched around the world Monday and Tuesday.

The exception was Frankfurt where the dollar slipped further against the West German mark, closing at a new postwar low of 1.9370 marks.

### Nazer

man of the Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu, Nazer predicted that they "will probably turn out to be the best two cities in the Kingdom." The government, he said, has found itself "under pressure" to allow large international concerns to build in the two planned industrial communities.

For the full text of the interview, see "Ashraq Al-Awsat" and "Saudi Business."

### Eritrean

opened. The rebels are fighting for the independence of Eritrea, a former Italian colony annexed to Ethiopia under a United Nations General Assembly resolution in 1950.

On Ethiopia's other war front, Somali guerrillas fighting in the eastern Ogaden region Wednesday reported killing 35 Cuban soldiers and destroying four tanks in an attack on Ethiopian positions near the town of Degahbur.

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